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IT...IT'S ……!!
THAT FACE HIDDEN UNDER THAT MASK..

TH THAT IS KIRITSU-RYUU DOKUSHUKEN, SAID TO BE THE ULTIMATE SECRET ART IN THE NUMEROUS CHINESE KENPOU

IT'S ABSOLUTELY !!
I...I'M CERTAIN!!

浮かぶ死の矢の巻

EIKEI, COMMANDER OF OTOKOJUKU'S SHITENNOU ---!!
浮かぶ死の矢の巻
CHP. 187: THE FLOATING DEATH-ARROWS

HE...HE'S ALIVE ---!!
THAT EIKEI, WH...WHO WE THOUGHT HAD DIED IN THE GANDHARA MATCH IN THE TENCHOU GORIN DAI-BUKAI PRELIMINARY LEAGUE FINALS----!!
DO...DON'T BE DISTANT TO US, EIKEI!! WHY YOU HIDING UNTIL NOW ----!
N...NOW, QUICKLY TAKE OFF THAT MASK AND SHOW YOUR FACE TO US ----!!
!?
HE-Y, WHAT'S WRONG EIKEI---!!

NUN!!
GUKU !!
THAT WAS CLOSE, BUT I COULD TAKE OUT THE POISON WITH THAT.

I WAS NEGLI-GENT
I NEVER THOUGHT THAT YOU ARE A USER OF DOKUSH-UIKEN
RIGHT, THEY SAID THE NAME IS EIKEI.
EIKEI ……!?

WH..WHAT--!! HE'S SHOU-KAKU, NOT EIKEI--!
HUH!?
YOU'VE MADE SOME MISUNDER-STANDING.
I DON'T KNOW OF THAT NAME. MY NAME IS SHOUKAKU ..!!

BU.. BUT ....
!!
THERE ISN'T JUST ONE PERSON WHO HAS MAS-TERED POISON-FIST IN THIS WORLD
THIS WOULD INCLUDE THIS PERSON CALLED EIKEI ..!!
DO YOU THINK WE WOULDN'T REMEM-BER AN ALLY THAT FOUGHT LIFE-OR-DEATH ALONGSIDE US UNTIL NOW!!
FIRST OF ALL, THAT BEST PROOF IS YOUR POISON-FIST ---!!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING: YOU'RE EIKEI, WE HAVE NO DOUBT---!!

BUT IF THIS MAN ISN'T EIKEI, THEN WHAT SORT OF PERSON EXACTLY IS SHOU-KAKU...!?
I DON'T KNOW.....!!
MOMO, WHAT EXACTLY IS GOING ON HERE!!
HOW COULD HE COME TO HAVE NO INKLING OF ANYTHING TO US--!!
WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO ME IS YOU ARE A MASTER-HAND OF THE TERRIFYING DOKUSHUKEN, WHICH COULD KILL AN ENEMY WITH ONE SCRATCH.
FU: IT'S FINE WHOEVER YOUR TRUE IDENTITY IS.

IF IT'S COME TO THIS, I MUST USE THIS THE ULTIMATE SECRET POSSESSED BY ME...!!
AS YOU SAID: THERE'S NO ONE COULD FACING THIS SECRET OF SECRETS.
IT WOULD HAVE BEEN GOOD IF YOU HAD USED THIS FROM THE START.
FUOHHOHHO, HOUKETSU SEEMS TO FINALLY BECOME SERIOUS.

TN "HONKYOKU SHUUSEN" = "RUNNING THORNS ATTACKING HARPOONS"

NO MATTER HOW GOOD IS YOUR TAIJUTSU, YOU CAN'T RUN AWAY FROM HERE ON!!
A BLACK HARPOON OF AN UNKNOWN NATURE HAS FLOWN OUT WITH TREMENDOUS FORCE FROM HOUKETSU'S CAPE AND IS RUNNING AROUND THE SKY----!!
WH...WHAT IS THAT ---!!

GO, 2ND ARRAY!!
MU!!
KU!!

3RD
ARRAY
!!

!!
HAU!!

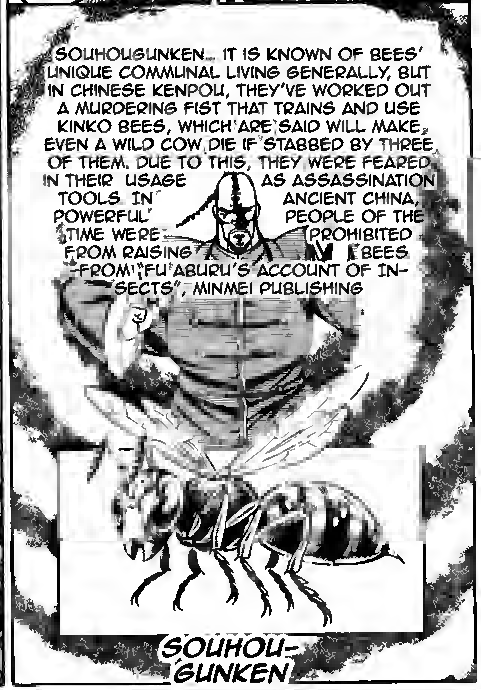
TH...THAT BLACK HARPOON HAS SPLIT INTO SEVERAL WITH HOUKETSU'S SIGNAL AND ATTACKED----!!
WOO!! WH... WHAT'S GOING ON !
AND WHAT IS THAT SCRATCH TAKEN BY EIKEI....NO...THAT MASKED MAN----!! IT'S REDDENING AND SWELLING UP!
TH, THIS IS..!!

IT SEEMS I'VE SEEN THE TRUE FORM OF THOSE MONSTER HAR-POONS...
4TH ARRAY!!

!!
THIS IS IT'S TRUE IDEN-TITY!!
JUST AS I THOUGHT ...

NUUU. RI_RIGHT, THAT IS SOUHOU-GUNKEN!!

THOSE BEES HAVE ASSEMBLED AND IMITATED AN ARROW AND THEN COMMENCED TO ATTACK---!!
WH... WHAT---!! THAT'S A BEE-----!!


SOUHOUGUNKEN... IT IS KNOWN OF BEES' UNIQUE COMMUNAL LIVING GENERALLY, BUT IN CHINESE KENPOU, THEY'VE WORKED OUT A MURDERING FIST THAT TRAINS AND USE KINKO BEES, WHICH ARE SAID WILL MAKE, EVEN A WILD COW DIE IF STABBED BY THREE OF THEM. DUE TO THIS, THEY WERE FEARED IN THEIR USAGE AS ASSASSINATION TOOLS IN ANCIENT CHINA, POWERFUL PEOPLE OF THE TIME WERE PROHIBITED FROM RAISING BEES FROM "FU'ABURU'S ACCOUNT OF INSECTS", MINMEI PUBLISHING
SOUHOU-GUNKEN

FU, RIGHT. BUT EVEN IF YOU SEE THROUGH ITS TRUE IDENTITY, IT WON'T HAVE ANY MEANING

THIS IS YOUR END AT LAST.
BECAUSE THERE IS NO MEANS TO PROTECT YOUR BODY FROM POISONOUS BEES!!

GO---!!
ATACAK HIM
AND MAKE HIM
A BEEHIVE
----!
WH...WHAT---!!
THAT MASKED
MAN HAS JUMPED
INTO THE
RIVER-----!!

YOU'VE CHOSEN YOUR OWN DEATH OVER THE TERROR OF BEING STABBED TO DEATH BY BEES!!
YOU FOOL !! IF YOU'VE THROWN YOURSELF INTO THE RAPIDS, THEN YOU'VE ALREADY ACCEPTED THAT YOU WON'T LIVE . . !!
!!
YOU WEREN'T MY MATCH FROM THE...!!
DO YOU THINK THIS WILL DECEIVE ME ----!!
I OVERLOOKED THIS YOU USE THE BANDAGES WRAPPED AROUND YOUR POISON-FIST AS YOUR LIFELINE.
FU. A PERSON LIKE YOU WOULD..

EVEN IF YOU CAN EXTRACT THE POISON EARLIER, YOU CAN'T EXTRACT IT FROM YOUR BACK, HOUKETSH.
HUH!!
.....
!!

TN:

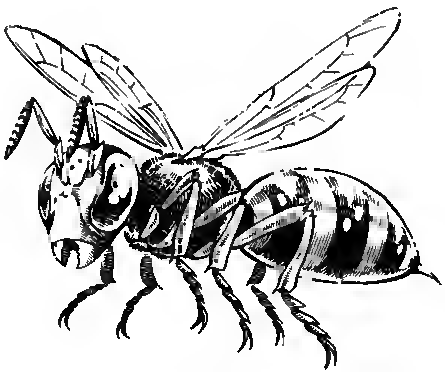
SHOUKAKU = EIKEI ..WELL, WHOEVER HE IS, HE REALLY IS SKILLED WITH HIS POISON FIST. IT DOES FEEL WEIRD THAT THE CHARACTER THAT THEY ALL SPECIFICALLY THOUGHT WAS EIKEI IS ACTUALLY SOMEONE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT. BUT THINGS ARE NOT ALWAYS AS THEY APPEAR. JUST REMEMBER EDAJIMA'S WORDS THE PREVIOUS CHAPTERS (NO . THE ONES ABOUT THE 2ND HELPER .NOT THE ONES PRIOR, HE ALWAYS DOES THAT).

HE IS A FIGHTER FOR OTOKOJUKU AND MOST LIKELY ONE OF THE 16 THEY FIRST SENT OUT TO THE BATTLEFIELD AT THE START THERE IS STILL POSSIBILITY HE MAY BE EIKEI BUT UNTIL IT'S COMPLETELY CONFIRMED, HE'S SHOUKAKU FOR OUR PURPOSES.

AS FOR THE CHAPTER ITSELF, IT WAS REALLY BIZARRE THAT HOUKETSU WOULD JUST HAVE A WHOLE SWARM OF BEES UNDER HIS CLOAK . BUT CONSIDERING THIS IS A SERIES WHERE WE JUST SAW A GUY FIGHT WITH A SPRING ON TOP OF HIS HEAD ON SWORD STILTS, IT REALLY ISN'T AS EXTREMELY IMPOSSIBLE AS IT WOULD BE IN SOME OTHER SERIES

BUT AT LEAST WITH THE POISON FIST IN A PLACE WHICH IS A LOT HARDER TO TREAT, SHOUKAKU HAS THE ADVANTAGE...EVEN IF THERE IS STILL THAT DEADLY BEE WEAPON.

BEES .MY GOD.



HE....HE'S DONE IT---!! HE COUNTER PLOTTED WITH FLOATING IN THE RAPIDS AND HAVE COMPLETELY TAKEN HOUKETSU'S BACK---!
HE'S...A COMPLETELY AMAZING GUY; THAT MAN SHOUKAKU!! NOW HE'LL TAKE THE MATCH AT ONCE!

I'LL GIVE YOU ONLY ONE CHANCE
IF YOU ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR DEFEAT, I'LL SPARE YOUR LIFE
FUFU WHO IS INTENDED ON SAYING THAT?
THERE ISN'T A WORD FOR DEFEAT FOR ME
WELL... SO, IT'S BETTER THAT YOU DIE

!!
NNGH!!

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CHP. 188: ONE IN A THOUSAND!

TN "SENKAI HOUJIN" = "ROTATING SEE-ARRAY"

MY ANGER WILL BE REPENTED IN HELL -----!!
FUFUFUFU. STING, STING, STING HIM TO DEATH -----!!
A...AND YET, WHAT IS THIS--!! THE BEES HAVE STARTED TO ROTATE IN A SPIRAL AROUND SHOUKAKU...
WITH THAT, SHOUKAKU CAN'T ESCAPE FROM WITHIN THAT RING----!!
D...DAMN!! HE ESCAPED HIS LONG-AWAITED CHANCE THANKS TO THOSE ANNOYING BEES----!

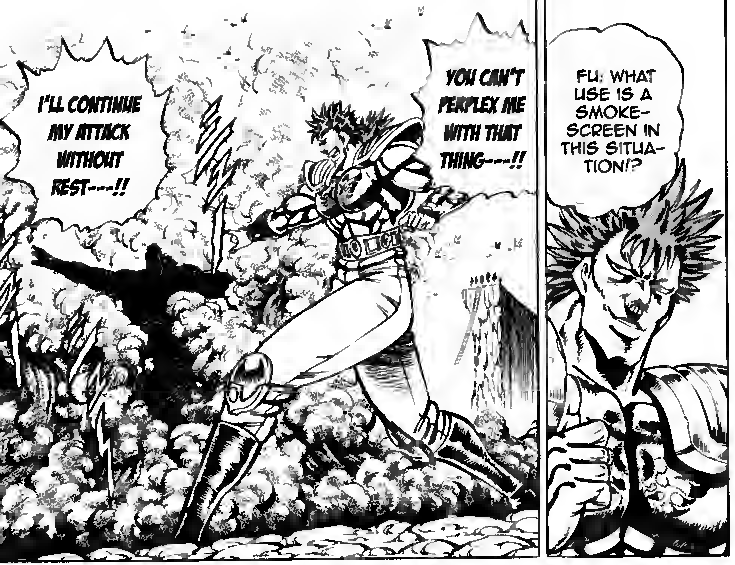
THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN PROTECT YOUR BODY FROM A SWARM OF A THOUSAND POISONOUS BEES
WHATEVER YOU DO, IT'S ALL A MATTER OF TIME

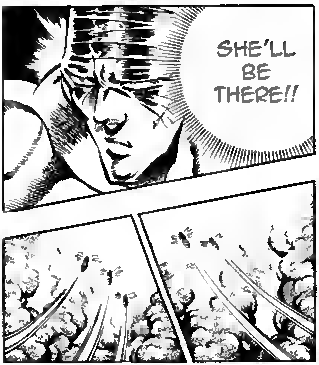
IS ISN'T THERE SOMETHING THAT CAN HAPPEN!! DOESN'T HE HAVE A SECRET PLAN, MOMO----!?
HOO!! WHAT'S THIS COME TO: THE SITUATION HAS COMPLETELY REVERSED----!
IT...IT WILL BE AS HE SAID: SHOUKAKU WILL EVENTUALLY GET TIRED AND BECOME PREY TO THE BEES-----!!
SHOU-KAKU HAS JUST ONE THING, IF HE CAN DO IT..!!
WH.... WHAT----!! WHAT IS THAT----!
THIS SHOULD BE PERCEIVED BY SHOUKAKU TOO..!!
HE'D BE SEARCHING FOR IT THE ONE IN A THOUSAND .. ..!!
HUH.. !! TH_ THE ONE IN A THOU-SAND .!?

I'M CERTAIN THERE SHOULD BE SOMEWHERE ONE QUEEN BEE THAT COMMANDS THIS SWARM ...!!
IF I CAN DISCOVER JUST THE QUEEN BEE...!!
THESE THINGS MERELY SOLDIER BEES.
WHERE....!? WHERE IS IT?
SHO... SHOU-KAKU ---!!
UH!!

NO MATTER IF YOU'RE A POISON-FIST USER, YOU WON'T LIVE WHEN STUNG BY YOUR THIRD.
FUFU; WITH THAT, YOU'RE STUNG FOR THE SECOND TIME.
KU!!
WELL, IT'S BEST TO PREPARE FOR YOUR DEATH
THIS IS YOUR END.
N NO " IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO SEE THROUGH TO JUST THE QUEEN BEE FROM WITHIN THESE NUMBERS....!

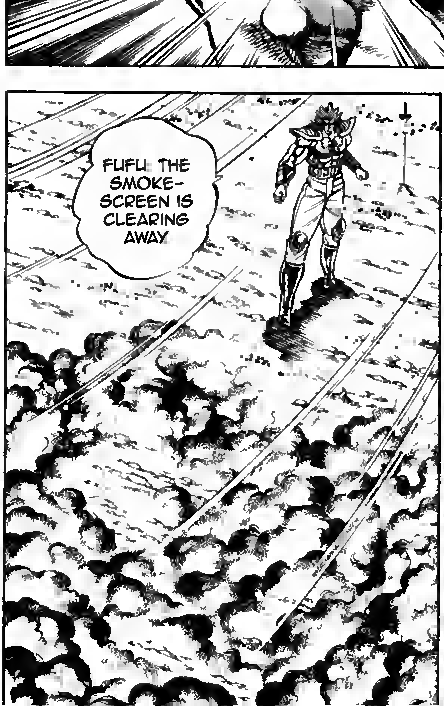
IN THAT CASE, THIS IS THE ONLY MEANS I HAVE LEFT .!!
WH...WHAT IS THIS SMOKE ---!!
IT'S...SMOKESCREEN: SHOU-KAKU IS BUILD-ING A SMOKE-SCREEN----!!


I'LL CONTINUE MY ATTACK WITHOUT REST---!!
YOU CAN'T PERPLEX ME WITH THAT THING---!!
FU: WHAT USE IS A SMOKE-SCREEN IN THIS SITUATION!?

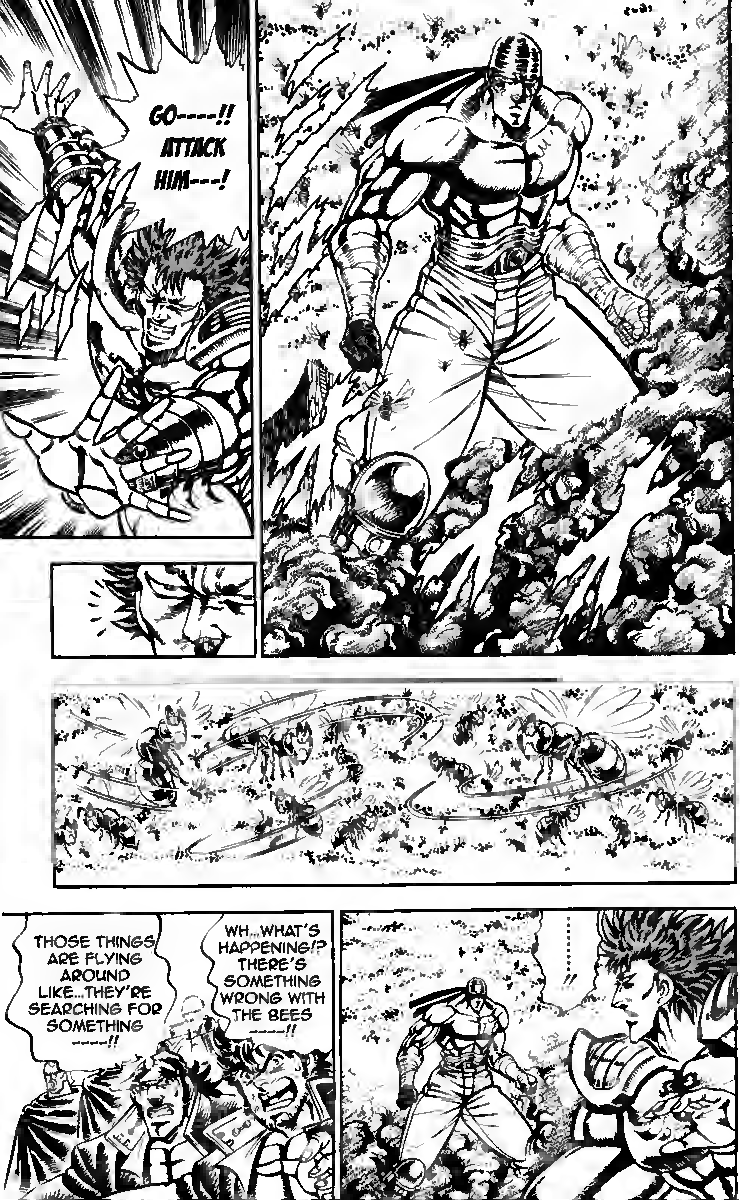

SHE'LL BE THERE!!

IN THIS PANIC, I'M CERTAIN THE SOLDIER BEE SHOULD BE BACK SO THEY CAN PROTECT THE QUEEN BEE!!
A QUEEN BEE IS AN ABSOLUTE BEING TO THE SOLDIER BEES !!

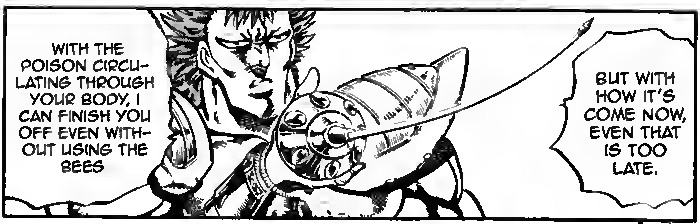
I'VE FOUND HER!!

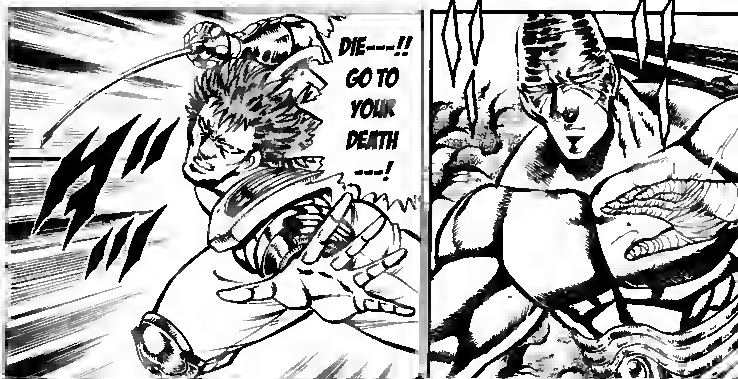

FUFU. THE SMOKE-SCREEN IS CLEARING AWAY.

I. I DON'T KNOW AT ALL WHAT IS HAPPENING BECAUSE OF THE SMOKE-SCREEN!!
WH. WHAT EXACTLY IS WRONG DOWN THERE.....!?


GO----!!
ATTACK
HIM---!
THOSE THINGS ARE FLYING AROUND LIKE...THEY'RE SEARCHING FOR SOMETHING ----!!
WH...WHAT'S HAPPENING!? THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH THE BEES ----!!

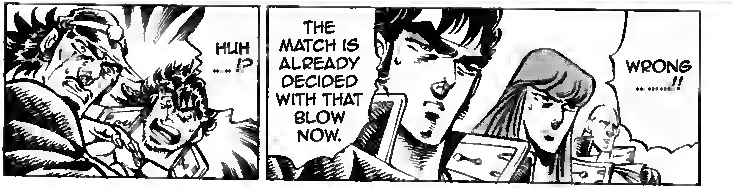
IT SEEMS YOU'VE TAKEN DOWN THE QUEEN BEE WHO LEADS THE SWARM
THAT'S QUITE AN IDEA.
FU, RIGHT...

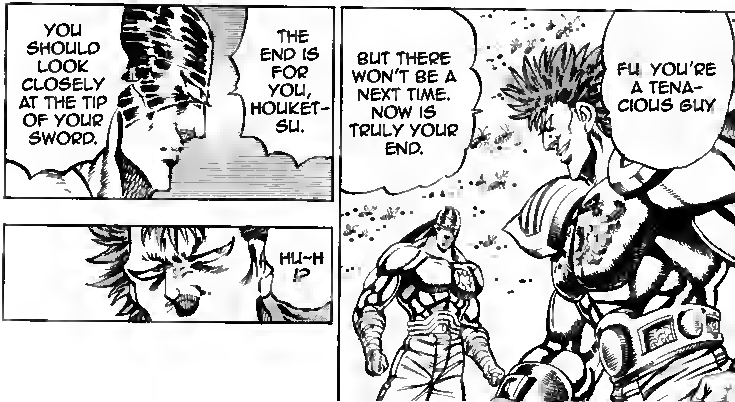

WITH THE POISON CIRCULATING THROUGH YOUR BODY, I CAN FINISH YOU OFF EVEN WITHOUT USING THE BEES
BUT WITH HOW IT'S COME NOW, EVEN THAT IS TOO LATE.


DIE---!! GO TO YOUR DEATH ---!

HA!!

TH...THIS IS DANGEROUS!!
HE AVOIDED THE FIRST BLOW, BUT SHOUKAKU DOESN'T HAVE LIFT THE POWER TO FIGHT ANYMORE---!!


HUH ...!?
THE MATCH IS ALREADY DECIDED WITH THAT BLOW NOW.
WRONG .....!!


YOU SHOULD LOOK CLOSELY AT THE TIP OF YOUR SWORD.
THE END IS FOR YOU, HOUKETSU.
HU~H !?
BUT THERE WON'T BE A NEXT TIME. NOW IS TRULY YOUR END.
FU YOU'RE A TENACIOUS GUY

WH...WHAT!!
TH...THIS IS THE QUEEN BEE!!
YES YOU'VE KILLED IT.
DO YOU UNDER-STAND WHAT THAT MEANS?
THEIR ANGER FOR KILLING THEIR MASTER IS TREMEN-DOUS
HA!!

HI!!
HOO!!
THE SADNESS OF A BRUTE. BEES DON'T THINK AS SUCH.
HII, ST... STOP!!
N...NOT ME... I CAN'T BE KILLED---!!

GYA
WAA
!!
IT WOULDN'T HAVE COME TO THIS IF YOU HAD ACKNOWLEDGED DEFEAT THEN.
THERE WON'T BE A SECOND CHANCE FOR YOU.
YOUR DESTINY WAS SELF-DESTRUCTION AFTER ALL.

PAGE JIMETSU (SELF-DESTRUCTION)

TN:

SOMETIMES I DO WONDER. AM I FALLING INTO THE TRAP AS EVERYONE ELSE WHO SEEM TO SEE THIS SERIES? DO I THINK OF IT AS JUST ANOTHER FIGHTING SERIES WITH GUYS FIGHTING OTHER GUYS WITH CLICHED LINES OVER AND OVER?

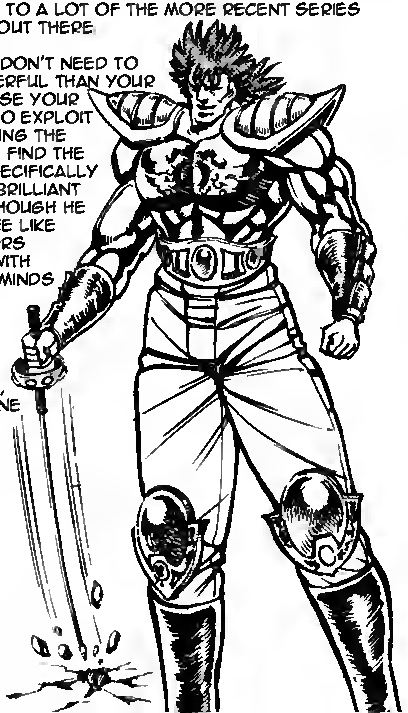
IS OTOKOJUKU EVEN WORTH MY TIME ANYMORE AND SHOULDN'T I JUST GO WITH SOMETHING MORE "MODERN" AND "FRESH" LIKE WHAT EVERYONE WANTS ME TO DO? I'VE BEEN ASKING MYSELF THIS A COUPLE TIMES AS I SEE HOW THE SERIES HAS BEEN GOING AS OF LATE., BUT THERE ARE A COUPLE REASONS WHY I KEEP GOING TO THE END. THE FIRST IS A FRIEND WHO IS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY AS I WRITE THIS DOWN. JUST LIKE ME, HE SEES THE GENUINE COOLNESS OF WHY OTOKOJUKU IS WORTH DOING TO THE END.

YEAH IT'S CLICHE AND CHEESY AT TIMES, BUT THE HARDCORE CHARACTERS, BIZARRE FIGHTING STYLES AND INSANE FIGHTS ARE WHAT HE LOVES ABOUT IT...AND WHAT I DO TOO. (AND THUS WHY THIS CHAPTER IS SORT OF DEDICATED TO HIM)

ON THE OTHER HAND, THE OTHER REASON, IS JUST SEEING CHAPTERS LIKE THIS ONE. SURE THE WHOLE HOUKETSU/SHOUKAKU FIGHT HAS BEEN MONUMENTAL BUT THIS CHAPTER SHOWS WHY OTOKOJUKU STANDS OUT EVEN COMPARED TO A LOT OF THE MORE RECENT SERIES OUT THERE.

SHOUKAKU PROVED THAT YOU DON'T NEED TO BE STRONGER OR MORE POWERFUL THAN YOUR ENEMY. YOU JUST NEED TO USE YOUR MIND AND FIND A WEAKNESS TO EXPLOIT IN THEIR STRATEGY. MANIPULATING THE BATTLEGROUND NOT JUST TO FIND THE QUEEN BEE BUT TO HAVE IT SPECIFICALLY KILLED BY HOUKETSU WAS A BRILLIANT MOVE, SHOWING THAT EVEN THOUGH HE RELIES ON HIS POISON FIST, HE LIKE MANY OTOKOJUKU CHARACTERS PREFER TO FIGHT NOT JUST WITH THEIR BODIES BUT WITH THEIR MINDS AS WELL.

IT PROVES THOUGH ONE CRUCIAL FACTOR. YES OTOKOJUKU IS AN INSANE SERIES FILLED WITH GIMMICKS, BUT IT STILL IS BY AND FAR ONE OF THE SMARTEST FIGHTING SERIES IN USING THE MINDS AS WELL AS THE BODIES TO THE FULLEST EXTENT. AND I GUESS THAT TOO, IS WHY I KEEP GOING TO THE END.



H..HE'S DONE IT.....!! SHO SHOU KAKU WON...!
HE'S..AN AMAZING GUY. HE..HE USED HIS OPPONENT'S TECHNIQUE TO DEFEAT HIM.....!!
WI..WITH THIS, WE FI-NALLY CAN FIND OUT HIS TRUE IDENTITY ~~~~~!!
L..LOOK. HE'S COMING UP TO HERE.
ZU
ZU
ZU

影が語るもの!!

CHP. 189: THE MAN WHO TALKS TO SHADOWS!! の巻

FUFU, WHAT AN FINE WEL-COME.
WELL, ENOUGH WITH THAT MASK AL-READY.
YOU'RE EIKEI-SENPAI, COMMANDER OF THE OTO-KOJUKU SHITENNOU.
WE KNOW

I'M A PRO HELPER HIRED WITH MONEY FROM THE PRINCIPAL OF OTOKOJUKU, EDAJIMA HEIHACHI!!
MY NAME IS SHOU-KAKU.
FU. I GOING TO SAY THE SAME THING MANY TIMES.

A PRO HELPER H..HIRED WITH MONEY ....!?
.....

I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE CIR-CUM-STANCES ARE, BUT YOU ARE LYING.
YOU'RE LYING
I SHALL BE GOING.
MY JOB IS DONE HERE.

A MAN DOESN'T BET THEIR LIFE FOR MONEY!! THERE'S JUST ONE MOMENT A MAN BETS THEIR LIFE.!!
THAT IS THE MOMENT THEY PROTECT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING TO THEMSELVES!!
THIS WAS PROVEN BY YOUR BATTLE!
THIS STRUGGLE TO THE DEATH IS A THING THAT WOULD NEVER OCCUR FOR MONEY!!
FUFU I'M A PRO.
I'M MERELY DEVOTED TO MY BUSINESS...!! THAT'S ALL
HE... HE'S GOING...!!
I...GUESS WE'RE WRONG AFTER ALL.....!!

HOLD ON.
HA!!
YOU'RE UNCONSCIOUSLY AVOIDING MY SHADOW TO NOT STEPPING ON IT, EIKEI.
DO YOU THINK YOU CAN DECEIVE MY EYES!!
I AM DAIGOJIN JAKI, HEAD OF OTOKOJUKU THIRD-YEARS!!
FU-WE..WELL, WHAT EXACTLY DOES THAT MEAN?
NOT STEPPING ON A SHADOW IS JUST A COINCIDENCE .....!!

EVEN IF OUR BODIES ARE SEPARATED, OUR SOULS WILL ALWAYS BE ONE UNDER THE FLAG OF OTOKO-JUKU!!
YOU CAN GO...BUT DON'T FORGET!!
I HAVEN'T HEARD OF WHAT ALIAS YOU'VE TAKEN FROM OLD-MAN EDAJIMA AND WHY YOU'VE HIDDEN YOUR TRUE IDENTITY !!
WELL FINE

HE CAN'T SHARING THE JOY OF RE-UNION WITH ALLIES WITH-OUT REVEAL-ING HIS TRUE IDENTITY !!
HE'S TREAT-ING US BADLY

Y..YOU BRATS OF OTOKO-JUKU.
WH..WHAT CAN I SAY.. EVEN THAT HOUKETSU HAS.....!!

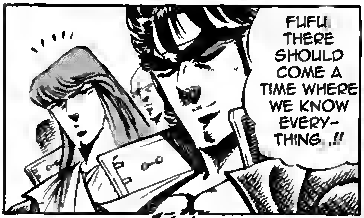
FUFU. YOU'VE GROWN SENILE, OLD-MAN. WHAT ARE YOU GETTING INTO THIS PANIC FOR?
WHAT'S THAT!!
WE BETTER HAVE SOME EXCUSE TO THE MASTER WHEN THEY ARRIVE FROM BEHIND OF THIS SITUATION-----!!
UHH! IT'S...NOT GOOD, THIS IS ABSOLUTELY NOT GOOD----!!

BUT WE'VE OVERCOME FROM THEM... WITH THE POWER OF "THAT MAN" .....!!
THE BATTLE HISTORY OF OUR RYOUZANPAKU, WHICH HAS WIN THIS TENCHOU GORIN DAIBUKAI THREE CONSECUTIVE TIMES IN THE PAST, HAS OFTEN FACED THIS KIND OF SITUATION

IT SEEMS YOU WERE MISTAKEN ON THAT
HUH!!
BUT, THAT PERSON IS TOGETHER WITH THE MASTER .....!!
YES! I KNOW IT!
TH . THAT MAN .....!?

OOH!!
THAT'S RYOUZANPAKU'S VICE-HEAD: GENERAL SOUKOU-SAMA---!!

DURING THAT TIME, I WILL STRIKE AN END TO THIS BATTLE.....!!
YOU SHOULD BE RELIEVED: THERE IS STILL TIME UNTIL THE MASTER ARRIVES.


FUFU. THERE SHOULD COME A TIME WHERE WE KNOW EVERYTHING..!!

LOOK IT SEEMS THAT'S OUR NEW OPPONENT.
WH... WHAT!!

HO HOWEVER, THAT MAN CALLED SHOUKAKU APPEARED AND LEFT LIKE THE WIND.
YEP, HE'S AS IF HE'S A GEKKOU KAMEN-LIKE GUY.

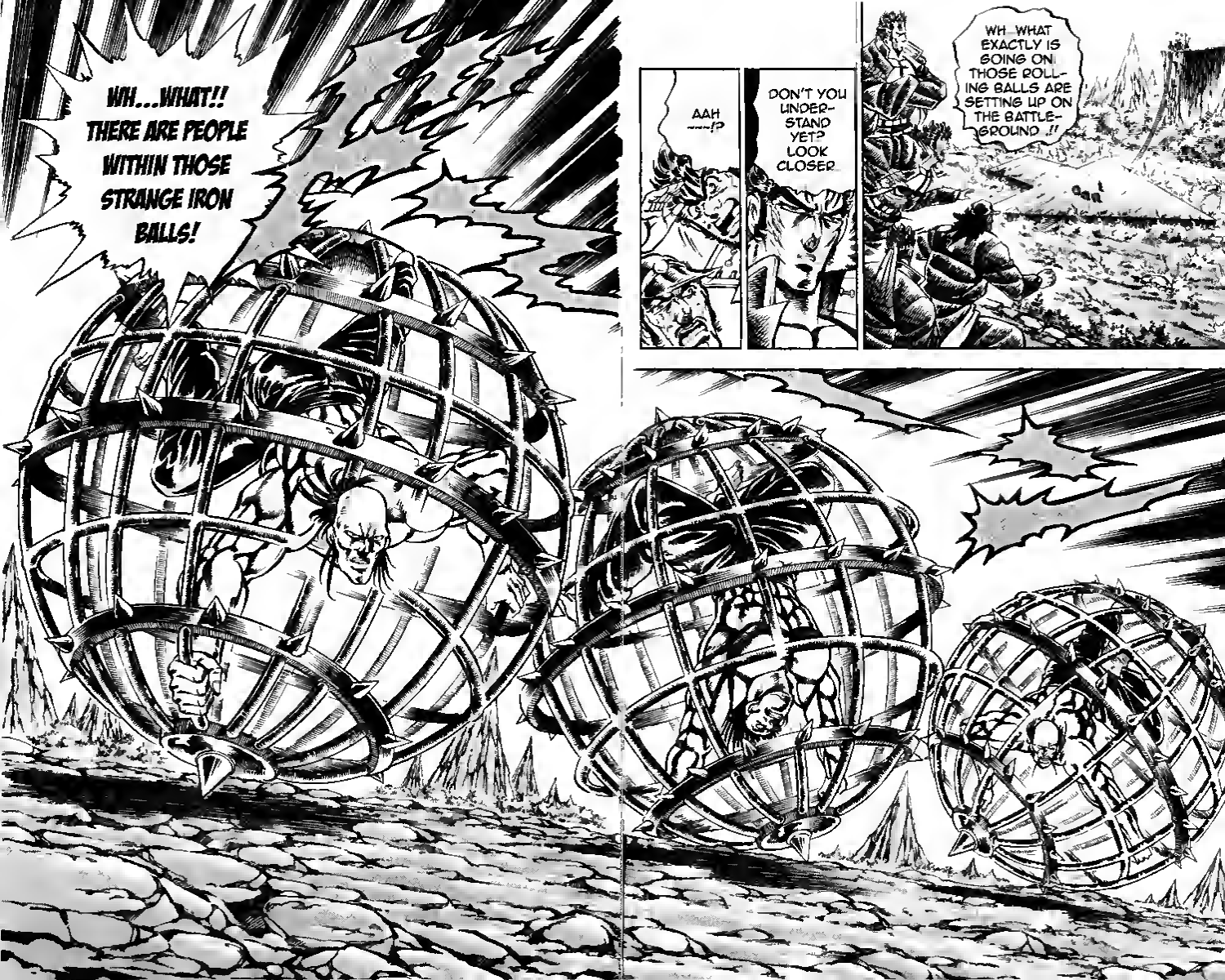
THAT'S AN OLDIE WITH EX-TREMELY GREATLY APPEAR-ANCE.
AND BEHIND HIM IS..!?

WHAT ARE... THOSE!!
STRANGELY-SHAPED ROLLING BALLS ARE GOING DOWN THE ROPE-LADDER AND GOING TOWARDS THE BATTLEGROUND ...!!

(TN: "ICHIJIN SENRIKU HEIHOU" = "A WILLARD THOUSAND-KILL ARMY METHOD")

(TN: ACCORDING TO LEGEND, "SHOUKI" IS A DEMON-SLAYER GOD WHO PROTECTS AGAINST EVIL SPIRITS AND IS IN PARTICULAR THE PROTECTOR OF MALE HEIRS TO THE THRONE OF CHINA)

THE MANY THINGS OF RYOUZAN PAKU'S ICHIJIN SENRIKU HEIHOU ...!!
LET ME SHOW YOU...
IN FRONT OF YOU, EVEN SHOUKI (A FIERCE GOD GREATER THAN CHINESE LEGEND) CRIES AND BEG FOR HIS LIFE
OOH! IT'S THE GUARDIAN GOD OF THE RYOUZANPAKU TROOPS; IT'S STRONGEST SOLDIER: GENERAL SOUKOU...!!


WH...WHAT!! THERE ARE PEOPLE WITHIN THOSE STRANGE IRON BALLS!
AAH ----!?
DON'T YOU UNDER-STAND YET? LOOK CLOSER
WH...WHAT EXACTLY IS GOING ON THOSE ROLL-ING BALLS ARE SETTING UP ON THE BATTLE-GROUND !!

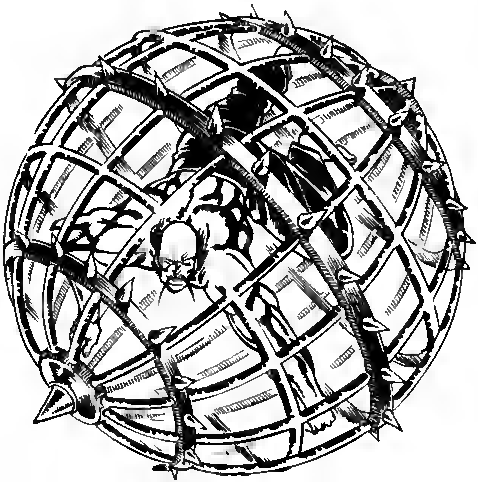
I WILL SHOW YOU HELL TO ALL OF YOU IN A TRUE BATTLE.
I DON'T CARE ABOUT YOUR NUMBERS!! ALL OF YOU CAN COME AT ME...!
INFORMING THE DARE DEVILS OF OTOKO-JUKU!!
!?
FINALLY, AN APPROPRIATE OPPONENT HAS APPEARED FOR ME
UMU.
HE'S NOT JUST BLUFFING.

TN:

ONE MAJOR RULE LEARNED FROM THIS CHAPTER. YOU MAY FOOL MOMO AND MOST OF THE SCHOOL WITH A WEIRD MASK FOR A "DISGUISE"...BUT YOU CAN'T FOOL JAKI ONE BIT. WHETHER IT'S JUST BY EXPERIENCE OR JUST BY BEING ESSENTIALLY OTOKOJUKU'S EMPEROR (WHAT BEING THE THIRD-YEARS LEADER AND ALL), IT IS OBVIOUS HE OF ALL PEOPLE WOULD KNOW EIKEI CLOSER THAN THE REST AND KNEW HE WOULD PULL THAT SHOUKAKU BIT...FOR SOME REASON OR ANOTHER.

MAYBE HE DIDN'T QUITE KNOW THE WHOLE STORY, BUT THAT'S WHY JAKI SAID WHAT HE SAID AND JUST LET HIM BELLIGERENTLY KEEP HIS DISTANCE EVEN WITH THE VICTORY AND HOW LONESOME EIKEI HAS DECIDED TO GO WITH THIS CURRENT STRUCTURE. THOUGH..I DO FIND IT A TAD STRANGE THAT EVEN IF MOMO FIGURED IT OUT (SORT OF), EIKEI WOULD STILL FOOL HIM BY SAYING "I DO THIS FOR MONEY THAT EDAJIMA GAVE ME".

WE KNOW WHAT THE OTOKOJUKU WAY IS...AND OF COURSE HOPEFULLY EIKEI WILL GIVE THE FULL STORY SOON ENOUGH. MEANWHILE...I SORT OF HOPE SOUKOU SHOGUN REALLY IS THE CHALLENGE AKASHI WAS LOOKING FOR..CONSIDERING HOW THE MOOKS BACK WITH POORON KOKURENJU TURNED OUT TO THE ZANGANKEN MASTER!



INTEREST-ING: WHY DON'T YOU SHOW ME THIS HELL .....!!
AKASHI!! HEAD OF THE OTOKOJUKU SECOND-YEARS, AKASHI GOUJI ----!

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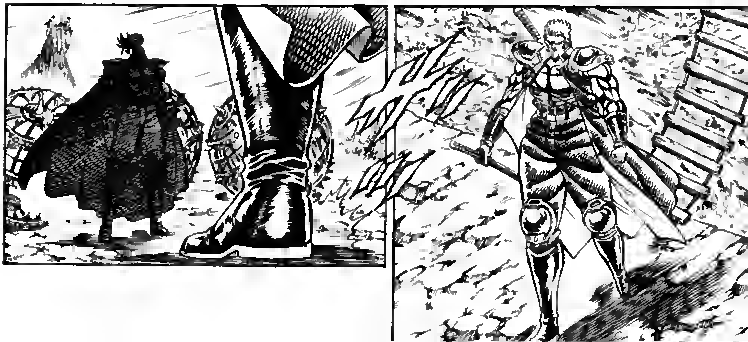
CHP. 190: BOTTOMLESS INGENUITY

MOMO ……!!
WHAT IS IT!?
KAKKAKKA: YOU'RE A DUMMY, TOKAMARU!!
YOU'RE TEN YEARS EARLY TO GIVING ADVICE TO AKASHI-SENPAI, THE HEAD OF OTOKOJUKU'S SECOND-YEARS THAT IS SAID TO EVEN SILENCE A CRYING CHILD!
BE CAREFUL, AKASHI-SENPAI!! WE DON'T KNOW THE ABILITY OF THOSE STRANGE BALLS OR THAT WEIRD-BEARDED OLDIE!!

WHA, MO… MOMO'S KATANA……
OSSU……!
CAN I BORROW YOUR KATANA?

TN· "NITOURYUU" = "TWO-SWORD STYLE"



THAT'S MY STYLE.
DON'T WORRY,

IT SEEMS YOU IGNORE MY ADVICE.
I ALREADY SAID THAT ALL OF YOU TO COME AT ME, BUT MERELY ONE HAS COME !!

FUFU. THAT'S NATURAL ……!!
DOES A YOUNGSTER OPPONENT LIKE YOU THINK HE CAN TAKE ON GENERAL SOUKOU, THE VICE-HEAD OF RYOUZAN-PAKU?
YOU WILL REALIZE OUR TERROR FOR BEING UNDER THE DIRECT CONTROL OF GENERAL SOUKOU!!
BUT BEFORE I FIGHT WITH YOU, I MUST DEAL WITH THESE.
THIS PREY WILL BE TAKEN BY YOU.
GO!!

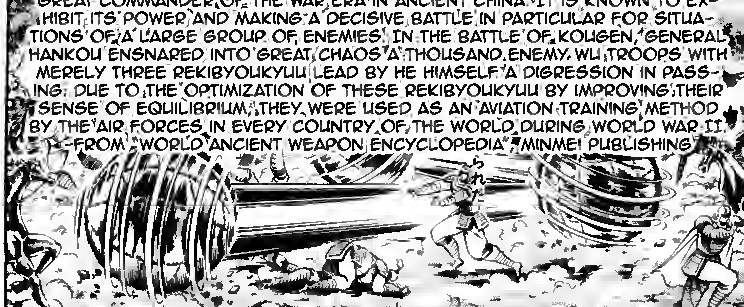
(TN: FIRST OF ALL, "HEIHOU" = "ART OF WAR" OR "TACTIC"; SECOND, "REKIBYOUKYUU" = "RUNNING-OVER TACK-SPHERES"
RYOUZANPAKU HEIHOU OUGI: REKIBYOU KYUU!!
OOH!! I...LOOK! THOSE THREE IRON BALLS ARE THRUSTING WITH TREMENDOUS ROTATION AIMING FOR AKASHI!!

NU!!

THE TRUE TERROR OF REKIBYOUKYUU IS REFLECTIONS ORIGINATING BY PERFECT CALCULATIONS, MAKING YOU UNABLE TO FIGURE OUT FROM WHERE WE'RE ATTACKING----!!
UWAHHAHAHA: IT SEEMS YOU'RE WATCHING OUR MOVEMENT!! DO YOU THINK WE CAN ONLY ATTACK IN A STRAIGHT LINE----!

IT'S AS IF THEY'RE BEING KNOCKED AROUND AND ATTACKING LIKE BILLIARD BALLS----!!
WHAT IS THIS, THESE MOVEMENTS BY THE IRON-BALL MEN----!!

REKIBYOUKYUU...A MANEUVERING TACTIC SAID TO HAVE BEEN DEVISED BY GENERAL HANKOU, WHO WAS FAMOUS IN HIS SURROUNDINGS AS THE PRE-EMINENT GREAT COMMANDER OF THE WAR ERA IN ANCIENT CHINA. IT IS KNOWN TO EXHIBIT ITS POWER AND MAKING A DECISIVE BATTLE IN PARTICULAR FOR SITUATIONS OF A LARGE GROUP OF ENEMIES. IN THE BATTLE OF KOUGEN, GENERAL HANKOU ENSNARED INTO GREAT CHAOS A THOUSAND ENEMY WU TROOPS WITH MERELY THREE REKIBYOUKYUU LEAD BY HE HIMSELF. A DIGRESSION IN PASSING: DUE TO THE OPTIMIZATION OF THESE REKIBYOUKYUU BY IMPROVING THEIR SENSE OF EQUILIBRIUM, THEY WERE USED AS AN AVIATION TRAINING METHOD BY THE AIR FORCES IN EVERY COUNTRY OF THE WORLD DURING WORLD WAR II. -FROM "WORLD ANCIENT WEAPON ENCYCLOPEDIA" MINME! PUBLISHING



(TN: THERE WAS NO REAL "BATTLE OF KOUGEN" THAT WE KNOW OF BUT THE "WU TROOPS" REFERRED TO HERE ACTUALLY DID EXIST. THEY WERE IN REFERENCE TO THE EASTERN WU NATION, WHO WAS ONE OF THE THREE ALLIED FORCES OF THE THREE KINGDOMS DURING CHINA'S WARRING PERIOD)

WHAT'S WRONG, WHY AREN'T YOU ATTACK!! ARE THOSE TWO SWORDS FOR DECORATION----!
WAHAHAHA: YOU'VE BEEN CORNERED, THERE'S NOTHING BEHIND YOU.
IT'S OVER NOW!

DIE!!
GUWA!!

FU: THAT WAS EASY...
WE SETTLED WITH HIM SIMPLY LIKE THAT.
!!
AKASHI WAS PUSHED INTO THE RAPIDS -----!!

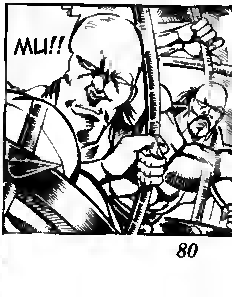
HUH!? WH...WHAT'S YOU SAY, MOMO----!!
FU, IT'S OKAY .....!!
HE'LL BE THROWN HEADLONG INTO THE WATERFALL IF HE'S SWALLOWED BY THE RAPIDS ----!!
UOO!! IT'S IMPOSSIBLE, AKASHI-SENPAI WAS KILLED SIMPLY LIKE THAT----!
WH.. WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT!?
HE'S A PERSON BEYOND OUR IMAGINA-TION, THAT MAN.....!!

HAA!!

UWAHHAHA: I GUESS THEY CAN'T DO IT WITH THEIR LEGS CRAMPED WITH BEING SHOWN OUR OVER-WHELMING STRENGTH -----!!
WELL, OTOKOJUKU'S NEXT DARE-DEVIL, YOU SHOULD COME DOWN HERE!!

HEY, TH... THAT'S!!
AAAH !!

WHOSE OVER-WHELMING STRENGTH?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HOH, HE'S STILL ALIVE?
YES, I STABBED THIS SWORD INTO THE RIVER BED AND PROTECTED MYSELF FROM THE RAPIDS
AKASHI ---!!
THE FATE OF THOSE THREE HAS ALREADY BEEN DECIDED .....!!
!?
IF MY GUESS IS CORRECT .....!!

IF YOU DARE, THEN YOU SHOULD COME AT ME
IF YOU TAKE EVEN A STEP OVER THIS LINE, ALL OF YOU WILL COME TO DIE
THIS LINE IS THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN THIS WORLD AND HELL . . . . !!
N~~~~!? WHAT'S THAT FOR? YOU DREW A LINE IN THE GROUND.

KUKU WHAT'S WITH THAT JOKE!!
NOW WE WILL CERTAINLY SEND YOU TO HELL~~~!!

WAHAHAHAHA, WE SURPASSED THE LINE AS YOU SAID! SO WHAT EXACTLY IS WRONG WITH THAT!!
ICHI MONJI-RYUU: ZAN-GANKEN...
TH...THIS IS AN...EARTH QUAKE!! TH...THE GROUND IS SHAKING.....!
HUH!?
HO!!
CTN: REMINDERS:
1. "ICHIMONJI-RYUU" = "STRAIGHT-LINE STYLE"
2. "ZANGANKEN" = "STONE-CUTTING

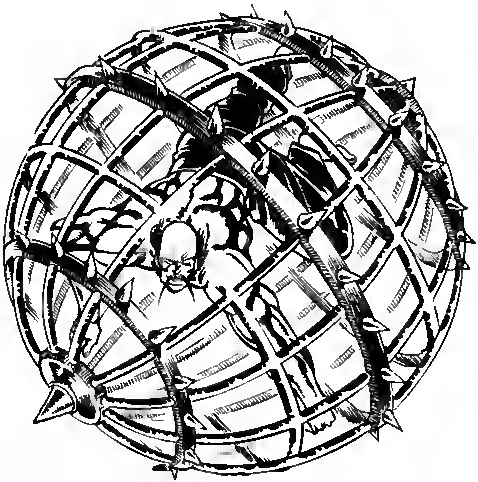
GYAOOH!!
IT...CAN'T BE- YOU CUT THE PILLARS SUP-PORTING THE BATTLE-GROUND IN THE RIVER ----!!
HOO!! WHAT'S THAT; THE BATTLE-GROUND IS SLANTING!
THERE IS NOTHING IT CAN'T CUT IN THIS WORLD!!
THIS IS WHAT ITS MEANS!!
NUUU!! WE CAN'T STOP; WE'RE TUM-BLING IN!

TN:

THERE GOES AKASHI, DESTROYING PUBLIC PROPERTY FOR HIS SECOND-STRAIGHT MATCH. (REMEMBER. NOT ONLY DID HE DESTROY THE LAST BATTLEGROUND HE USED WITH THE ZANGANKEN, BUT ESSENTIALLY LEAD TO IT'S ANNIHILATION BY J LATER IN THE FIGHT!)

PERSONALLY THOUGH I THOUGHT IT WAS AMAZING NOT THAT AKASHI WAS ABLE TO DEFEAT THE BALL MEN, BUT IN BEING ABLE TO ACTUALLY GO INTO THE RAPIDS LONG ENOUGH TO SLICE THROUGH THE PILLAR. CONSIDERING HOW TROUBLESOME THAT THING IS WITH THE PREVIOUS MATCHES (BARON DINO'S SUICIDE, EIKEI/SHOUKAKU'S TRICK THAT MADE HIM SEEM HE WENT IN BUT DIDN'T), SEEING AKASHI DIVE IN WAS A CHANCE.

BUT IT WAS A CHANCE THAT PAID OFF CONSIDERING THAT IT DID GET RID OF THE THREE BILLIARD-BOUNCING CLODS. BUT OF COURSE, THERE IS STILL THE GENERAL HIMSELF. AND I DOUBT THEY WANT TO FIGHT ON A SUPER-SLANTED ARROW NOW!



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I.. DON'T BELIEVE THIS..!! HE..CUT THE PILLARS IN THE RIVER, SLANTING THE BATTLEGROUND AND THOSE IRON-BALL GUYS TUMBLED IN TO THEIR END...!
UOO, WH..WHAT EXACTLY IS THIS .....!?

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CHP. 191: ZANGANKEN UNUSABLE!?

WITH THAT, I CAN GO INTO MY MATCH WITH YOU AT EASE, GENERAL...!!
ICHIMONJI-RYUU ZANGAN-KEN, SAID TO BE LEGEND-ARY...! AND IT'S MASTERED BY A YOUNGSTER LIKE YOU.
IN THAT CASE, SOUKOU MUST LOWER HIS HAND DOWN HIMSELF.

DON'T WORRY.
WE CAN'T USE OUR FULL POWER WITH A FOOTHOLD THAT'S SLANTED LIKE THIS. BUT THEN, I DON'T MIND THIS AT ALL.
BUT WHAT DO YOU INTEND FOR THIS BATTLE-FIELD!?
!?
NU!!

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WH...WHAT!! THE BATTLE-GROUND IS...!

RIGHT, AKASHI-SENPAI DIDN'T JUST TAKE ONE PILLAR, HE CUT THE OTHER PILLARS AS WELL...!!
I'M COMPLETELY DUMBFOUNDED BY HIM.
AKASHI RETURNED THE BATTLEGROUND TO WATER LEVEL AS IT WAS BEFORE BY JUST THROWING A PEBBLE-----!!
WHAT EXACTLY HAPPENED THERE-----!!

BUT YOU'RE YOUNG.... YOU STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND THE THING CALLED TACTICS.
THIS IS THE FIRST I'VE HAD TO FACE A MAN LIKE YOU EVEN IN MY LONG EXPERIENCES IN COMBAT.
YOU'RE A DREADFUL MAN.

NOW, TAKE OUT YOUR PRIDED LONG-SWORD!!
YOU WILL UNDER-STAND IT LATER
THERE IS NOTHING I CAN'T CUT IN THIS WORLD .....!!
IT'S FUTILE NOW TO WEAR YOUR ARMOR AND HELMET
ICHIMONJI-RYUU: ZAN-GANKEN!!

KEE
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MU!
WHAT IS THIS!!
!!

THAT BLACK SAND-LIKE THING SCATTERED BY GENERAL SOUKOU HAS STUCK TO ITS ENTIRE SURFACE, MAKING IT PITCH-BLACK---!!
WHAT'S GOING ON: AKASHI'S SWORD HAS---!?
I'VE TRAPPED YOU.
THIS IS RYOU ZANPAKU OUGI: KYOUJI DAIHATSUKA!!
IN "KYOUJI DAIHATSUKA" = "MAGNETIC-EXCELLENCE BIG-REJECTION WORLD"
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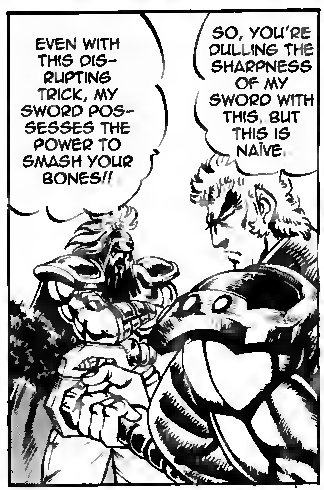
THIS IS MAGNETIC POWDER .....!!


EVEN WITH THIS DISRUPTING TRICK, MY SWORD POSSESSES THE POWER TO SMASH YOUR BONES!!
SO, YOU'RE DULLING THE SHARPNESS OF MY SWORD WITH THIS. BUT THIS IS NAÏVE.

THIS ISN'T A THING THAT CAN BE WIPED OFF SO EASILY.
YES, BUT THIS ISN'T ORDINARY MAGNETIC POWDER. THIS IS TAIKYOKUJI STONE, WHICH ONLY YIELDED ON THE LAND OF OUR RYOUZANPAKU AND POSSESSES THE MOST POWERFUL MAGNETISM IN THIS WORLD!!

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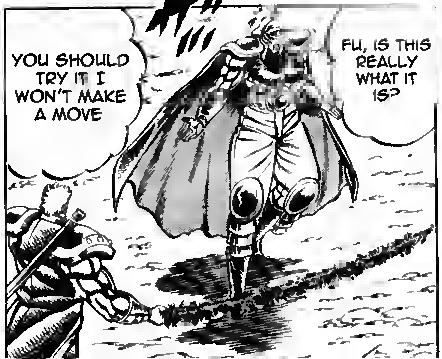
NOW!!


YOU SHOULD TRY IT. I WON'T MAKE A MOVE
FU, IS THIS REALLY WHAT IT IS?

NUUU
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GUWA
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FUFU, WHAT'S WRONG!! YOUR SWORD CAN'T EVEN TOUCH ME

AKASHI WAS REJECTED THE MOMENT HE SWUNG THE SWORD DOWNWARD!!
WHAT ---!!

IT'S LIKE THERE'S AN INVISIBLE BARRIER SURROUND-ING HIM...!!
WHAT HAPPEN .....!!
NUUA ---- !!

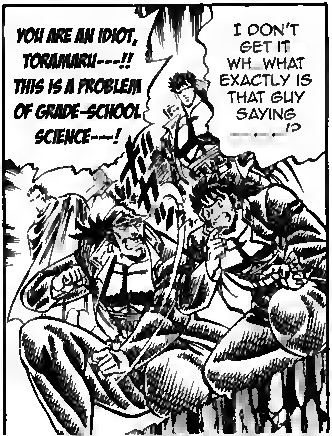
GUFU
!!

NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES YOU DO IT, IT'S FUTILE.
OTHER THAN THE TAIKYOKUJI STONE POWDER STUCK TO YOUR SWORD, THERE WAS ALSO TAI-KYOKUJI STONE ON MY ARMOR AND HELMET THAT I AM WEARING.
UNDERSTAND? IT CAN'T BE SEEN BY THE EYE, BUT THERE IS A POWERFUL MAGNETIC FIELD SUR-ROUNDING MY CIRCUMFER-ENCE.
LET ME TEACH YOU THE TRUE MEANING OF THIS HIOUGI KYOUJI DAIHATSU-KAI!!
AND THUS, YOUR SWORD AND MY HELMET AND ARMOR ARE TINGED WITH MAGNETISM OF THE SAME POLE!!
!!

YOUR SWORD POWER INDEED IS TREMENDOUS, BUT FROM THE REPELLENT FORCE OF TWO POWERFUL MAGNETIC FORCES, YOU WILL REPEL AWAY WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO LAY EVEN A SCRATCH ON MY BODY.
DO YOU UNDER-STAND NOW!?

WITH THIS, AKASHI-SENPAI WON'T BE ABLE TO USE HIS SWORD ……!!
WH.. WHAT ……!!

THAT'S KYOUJI DAIHATSU-KAI……!!
NUU!! DREAD FUL..


YOU ARE AN IDIOT, TORAMARU---!! THIS IS A PROBLEM OF GRADE-SCHOOL SCIENCE---!
I DON'T GET IT WH..WHAT EXACTLY IS THAT GUY SAYING ……!?

KYOUJI DAIHATSUKAI REIMEI-RYUU'S CHIN HOUKO, SAID TO BE THE ANCESTOR WHO REJUVENATED CHINESE KENPOU, HAD PRODUCED TAIKYOKUJI STONES, WHICH IS SAID TO BE 55,000 GAUSS FOR AROUND 1 CUBIC CM IN MT. GYOKUSEN WHILE SIMULTANEOUSLY TREASURING WHAT HE WAS ENLIGHTENED TO WHILE NEVER TAKING IT OFF IT'S PREMISES WHEN HE SECLUDED HIMSELF ON MT. GYOKUZEN FOR PURSUING HIS OWN SECRET FISTS AND PERFECTED IT FROM COMBINING IT WITH HIS KENPOU. IN BRIEF, MAGNETS HAVE A S POLE AND N POLE, THERE IS A STRONG ATTRACTING POWER PRODUCED IN THE INTERVAL OF OPPOSITE POLES, BUT A STRONG REPULSION POWER PRODUCED IN THE INTERVAL OF SIMILAR POLES. THAT IS, IF YOU STICK TAIKYOKUJI STONE POWDER TO THE WEAPON OF AN ENEMY AND WEAR PROTECTIVE GUARDS THAT POSSESS TAIKYOKUJI STONE OF THE SAME POLE, YOU CAN COME TO HAVE AN INVINCIBLE DEFENSIVE CURTAIN (BODY BARRIER). EVEN IN THE PRESENT, THE APPLICATION SCOPE OF MAGNETISM (MAGNET POWER) CALLED "THE FOURTH ENERGY" HAVE CROSSED MANY DIVERGENCES IN MILITARY AFFAIRS, TRANSPORTATION, POWER GENERATION AND SPACE DEVELOPMENT -FROM "THE GREAT MAGNETIC FIELD", MINMEI PUBLISHING

SOUTH POLE

SOUTH POLE

AND THUS, WHAT'S LEFT FROM HERE IS MERELY TO FINISH YOU OFF!!

THESE ARE MY TACTICS, WHICH I PRIDE AS INVINCIBLE AND UNDEFEATABLE

THIS IS A COMPLETE VICTORY WITH THE PERFECT DEFENSE

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TAKE THIS!! RYOUZANPAKU OUGI: REN-SASHI!
TN: "RENSASHI" = "LOTUS-CHAIN GIFT"
MU!!

NUGU!!
NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO, YOU CAN'T ESCAPE FROM THIS KOUSHI NET!!
TN: "KOUSHI NET" OR "KOUSHIMOU" = "STEEL-THREAD NET"
!!

FUFU: IF YOU WORDS TO LEAVE TO YOUR ALLIES, YOU SHOULD SAY THEM!!
YOU'RE A DIS-SAPOINT-ING MAN, BUT THAT'S THE MATCH!!
AKASHI !!
SUKU !!
Y...YOU'RE A FAST MAN .....!!
BU. BUT, THIS BLOOD HAS BECOME HIGHLY IGNITED .....!!

TN:

AND THAT'S WHY YOU NEED TO WEAR ARMOR IN YOUR FIGHTS, FOLKS. YEAH IT MAY BE CUT TO BITS, BUT IT MAY ALSO HAVE MAGNETIC PROPERTIES TO PREVENT YOU FROM BEING HIT BY A SWORD. SOME PROBABLY COULD SAY THAT THIS WAS JUST TOO GOOD A SET-UP.

BUT CONSIDERING OTOKOJUKU'S FIGHTS, IT DOESN'T WORRY ME ANYMORE. PERSONALLY, I THINK THE WHOLE SIMPLE USAGE OF MAGNETISM BETWEEN ATTRACTION AND REPULSION PREVENTING AKASHI TO STRIKE WITH THE ZANGANKEN WAS A BRILLIANT MOVE AND PRETTY MUCH SEALS OFF HIS MAIN MEANS OF ATTACK.

WELL HIS MAIN MEANS, CONSIDERING WE KNOW AKASHI IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE SMARTEST FIGHTERS AND ALWAYS SEEMS TO HAVE SOME BACK-UP STRATEGY TO ALLOW FOR HIM TO ULTIMATELY TAKE THE MATCH. IN A WEIRD WAY THAT'S WHAT MAKES AKASHI PROBABLY ONE OF THE MORE INTERESTING ON OTOKOJUKU'S SIDE. WHILE MOST OF THE OTHER FIGHTERS SEEM TO ADD MORE GIMMICKS TO HIS ARSENAL, AKASHI JUST STICKS WITH ZANGANKEN AND USES HIS BRAIN TO OUTTHINK IN WAYS TO LET HIM WIN A MATCH.. AND I'M SURE HE'LL GET THROUGH SOUKOU'S STRATEGIES SOON ENOUGH!

TN FROM PAGE 104:

A COUPLE NOTES:
1. "REIMEI-RYUU" = "BRIGHT-FLOW STYLE"

2. TO GET A GOOD GLIMPSE AT HOW POWERFUL A CUBIC CM OF THE TAIKYOKUJI STONES ARE, 55,000 GAUSS IS EQUAL TO 5.5 TESLA (A "TESLA" IS 10,000 GAUSS IN MEASUREMENT) AND IS STRONGER THAN THE STRENGTH OF MEDICAL MAGNETIC RESONANSE IMAGING SYSTEM IN PRACTICE AT THIS TIME, WHICH HAVE USUALLY A MAXIMUM OF 3 T AND IS MORE POWERFUL THAN MOST TYPICAL MAGNETS IN USE BY COMMON PEOPLE, WHICH USUALLY MEASURE 100 GAUSS/0.01 GAUSS.

SOMEHOW YOU AVOIDED THE BLOW FROM YOUR VITALS, BUT IT SHOULD BE QUITE A SEVERE WOUND.
NO MATTER HOW YOU SPEAK OF YOUR COURAGE, IT'S USELESS.
FU. HIGHLY IGNITING YOUR BLOOD .....!!
THIS WILL END IT ---!!
GUKU!!

万分の一の奇跡!!の巻
CHP. 192:
A ONE-IN-TEN THOUSAND MIRACLE!!

WAHAHAHA- DO YOU THINK YOU CAN AVOID THIS IN THAT STATE---!!
KUU!!
GAHA!!
NUU!!
AKASHI ---!!

THAT BLOW NOW I'M CERTAIN PIERCED YOUR INTERNAL ORGANS.
FUFUFU! EVEN IF YOU POSSESS ABNORMAL PHYSICAL STRENGTH, THIS WILL END NOW.
GUFU!!
GUU GUU

TH...THAT AKASHI-SENPAI WILL BE KILLED ---!
UOO, A...AKASHI ---!!
.....!!

THERE IS NOTHING MORE THAT CAN BE DONE!!
THERE'S NO WAY HE CAN ESCAPE FROM THE KOUSHI NET WITH THE WOUNDS INCREASING AND HIS ZANGANKEN SEALED
N...NO .....!!
NOTHING MORE THAT CAN BE DONE .....!?
THOSE WORDS DON'T EXIST TO HIM!!
RASETSU ---!!

HUH !?

HE SUDDENLY HAS AN OLD RAG DYED IN OLD BLOOD AND IS HOLDING IT OVER HIS HEAD TOWARDS THE BATTLEFIELD——!!
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? WH...WHAT EXACTLY IS THAT RASETSU——!!

I GUESS YOUR CONSCIOUS IS ALREADY DIMMING WITH THAT BLEEDING. IF NOT, YOU CAN TELL ME WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THAT
N---!?
WHAT IS THIS---!?
.....!!
WHAT EXACTLY DOES THAT MEAN...!!
IT SAVED 123 LIVES.....!?
THIS SAVED 123 OTOKO-JUKU LIVES, INCLUDING MY OWN.....!!
LET ME TELL YOU: THE ORIGIN OF THIS BLOOD-STAINED CLOTH!!

I HAD ACCEPTED AN ORDER OF JAKI-SAMA AND DECIDED TO MAKE A SHOWDOWN WITH AN OLD ENEMY IN THE NORTHERN COUNTRIES, LEADING ALL 123 MEMBERS OF OTOKOJUKU'S SECOND AND THIRD-YEARS.
THIS WAS, BEFORE ALL OF YOU ENTERED OTOKOJUKU AS FIRST-YEARS!! .....!!
IN THE MIDST OF A TERRIBLE SNOWSTORM, THE TRUCKS MARCHED FORTH ON A DIRECT ROUTE IN THE CENTER OF THE MOUNTAINS.
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AT THE TIME, HE WAS GOING FORTH AS A LONE SCOUT THREE KILOMETERS AHEAD OF US.
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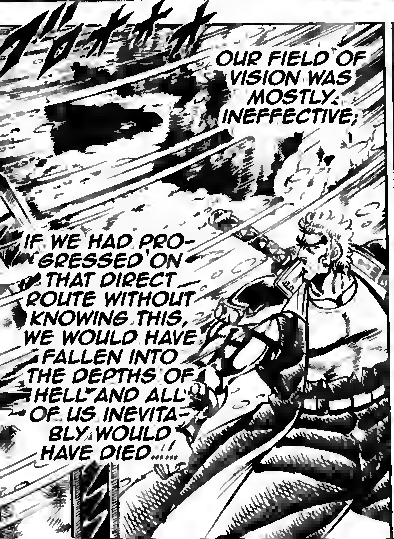
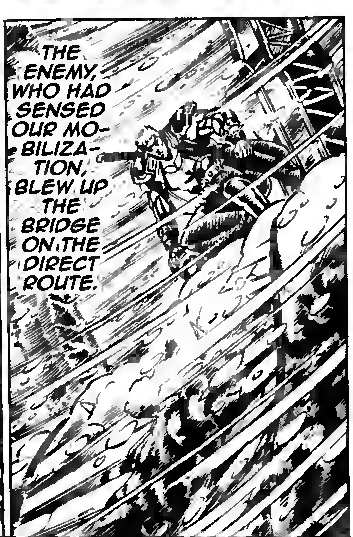
AND THEN.....!!


OUR FIELD OF VISION WAS MOSTLY INEFFECTIVE;
IF WE HAD PROGRESSED ON THAT DIRECT ROUTE WITHOUT KNOWING THIS, WE WOULD HAVE FALLEN INTO THE DEPTHS OF HELL AND ALL OF US INEVITABLY WOULD HAVE DIED.....!


THE ENEMY, WHO HAD SENSED OUR MOBILIZATION, BLEW UP THE BRIDGE ON THE DIRECT ROUTE.

IT WAS THERE THAT HE.....
BUT EVEN IF HE TRY TO WARN US, HIS VOICE WOULD HAVE BEEN ERASED IN THE RAGING FURIOUS SNOWSTORM AND THERE WAS NOTHING HE COULD MAKE A SIGN WITH THE SNOW COVERED ENTIRE SURFACE OF THE AREA.

WHAT IS...THAT ---!!
I CAN SEE SOMETHING IN FRONT OF US!!

MU!!

STOP
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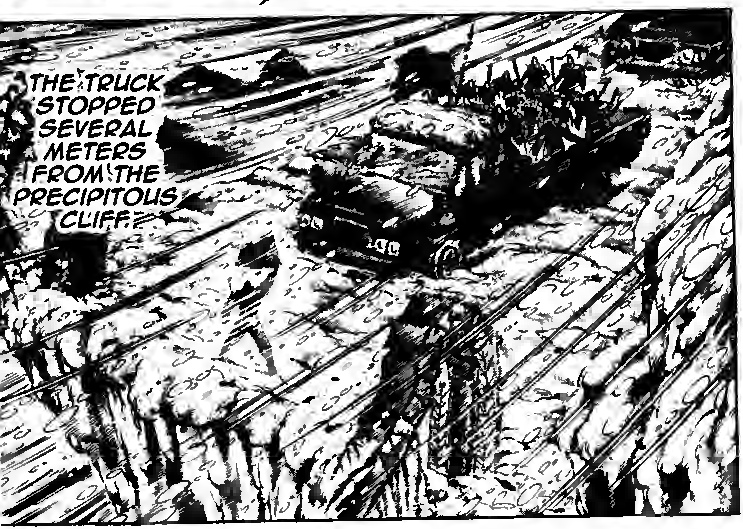
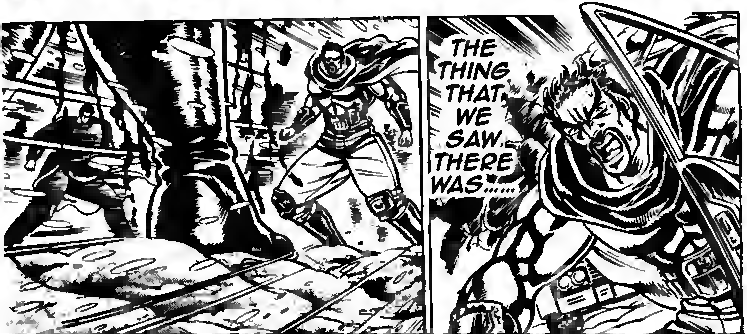

THE TRUCK STOPPED SEVERAL METERS FROM THE PRECIPITOUS CLIFF.


THE THING THAT WE SAW THERE WAS.....

TN: "NIOU-STANCE" WAS EXPLAINED PRIOR AS A STANCE AKIN TO A GUARDIAN NIOU STATUE AT CERTAIN BUDDHIST TEMPLES

HE'S A MAN WHO BET HIS OWN LIFE IN A ONE-IN-TEN THOUSAND MIRACLE AND MADE THE IM-POSSIBLE POSSIBLE...!!
THAT IS THE MAN AKASHI GOUJI, HEAD OF OTOKOJUKU'S SECOND-YEARS!!
HE WASN'T CONSCIOUS DUE TO ALREADY HAVING FROSTBITE AND THE BLEEDING.
BUT HE WAS STILL WAVING IT: THE BLOOD-STAINED FLAG THAT SAVED 123 LIVES...!!
JUST LIKE THAT SNOWY DAY, HE'LL ENDURE UNTIL HE'S AT THE LIMIT OF LIFE-OR-DEATH AND BET FOR A ONE-IN-TEN THOUSAND VIC-TORY...!!
HE CAN DO IT...!
BUT, WHAT CAN HE DO FROM THIS SITUA-TION.!!
WE DON'T KNOWN OF THAT STORY, HE'S, COM-PLETELY AN AMAZING PERSON..!!
WHAT AN A. AMAZING STORY..!!

FUFUFU! THAT'S LOOK PAINFUL
BUT YOU SHOULD BE ANXIOUS, NOW I WILL LIBERATE YOU FROM THIS AGONY.
ETER-NALLY!!
DIE !!

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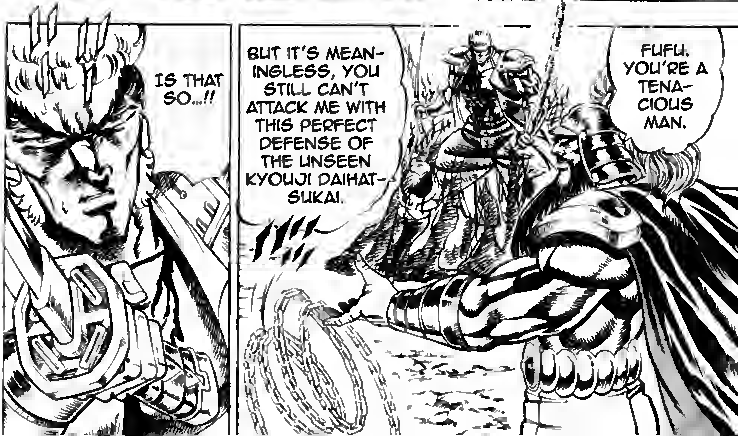
HA!!
HOO..YOU STILL HAVE POWER REMAINING SOMEWHERE IN THAT BODY!!

HE DID IT ----!!
HE CUT THE NET WITH MOMO'S SWORD AND SUCCESSFULLY ESCAPED-


IS THAT SO...!!
BUT IT'S MEAN-INGLESS, YOU STILL CAN'T ATTACK ME WITH THIS PERFECT DEFENSE OF THE UNSEEN KYOUJI DAIHAT-SUKAI.
FUFU. YOU'RE A TENA-CIOUS MAN.

IF THAT'S THE SWORD THAT ISN'T COVERED BY MAGNETIC POWDER, THEN IS HASN'T TAKEN THE INFLUENCE OF THE MAGNETIC FIELD, BUT WHERE WAS IT AIMING!?
WAHHAHA! WHAT'S WITH THAT !!
!?
RIGHT!! WITH THAT SWORD, I CAN BREAK THROUGH YOUR MAGNETIC FIELD!

WH...WHAT---!!
HE CONNECTED THE SWORD AND WENT TROUGH THE MAG-NETIC FIELD---!
GYAH!!
GUWA!!

TN:

ALRIGHT, THERE'S SUCH A THING OF BEING PREPARED. AND THERE'S "BEING PREPARED". LIKE THIS. OK, I HAVE NOTHING AGAINST SOME OF THE STUFF MIYASHITA USES IN ALLOWING FOR OTOKOJUKU'S SIDE TO WIN A MATCH, BUT SOMEHOW WHILE IT DOES MAKE SENSE THAT AKASHI WOULD USE MOMO'S SWORD TO WIN (SINCE IT WAS JUST HIS SWORD COVERED IN THE MAGNETIC POWDER, NOT MOMO'S), IT JUST MAKES ME QUESTION ABOUT WHY AKASHI ASKED FOR IT OTHER THAN SO MIYASHITA COULD GIVE US THIS SCENE.

I MEAN, WHAT IF AKASHI HAPPENED TO BE IN A SITUATION WHERE HE COULDN'T USE THE SWORD AT ALL ALONGSIDE HIS OWN SWORD..OR WHAT IF SOMETHING ELSE HAPPENED? I GUESS USUALLY I DO LIKE WHEN HE PULLS THESE SORTS OF THINGS BUT HERE IT JUST SEEMED A TAD TOO..PERFECT ON THE OTHER HAND, THE REAL HIGHLIGHT OF THE CHAPTER WAS AKASHI'S INCIDENT REGARDING HOW HE SAVED RASETSU AND MOST OF THE REST OF THE SECOND AND THIRD YEARS YEARS AGO.

HECK..FOR THAT WHOLE STORY, I CAN FORGIVE THE WHOLE SWORD BIT.

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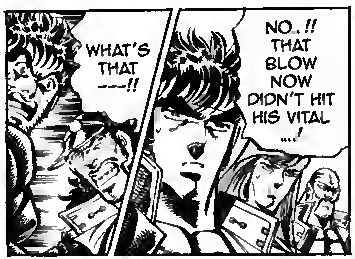
WHAT'S THAT ---!!
NO..!! THAT BLOW NOW DIDN'T HIT HIS VITAL ...!

HE JOINED MOMO'S SWORD AND HIS OWN SWORD AND BROKE THROUGH THE MAGNETIC FIELD SURROUNDING THAT SOUKOU, SPLITTING APART THAT TOMATO------!!
HE..HE DID IT----!! AMAZING, AS EXPECTED AKASHI-SENPAI----!

FUFFUFFU, DISAP-POINTING ……!!
YOUR FATE IS DECIDED WITH THIS .!! YOU WERE NO MATCH AFTER ALL FOR ME, WHO PRIDES HIS LEGEND OF NEVER LOSE!
YOUR SWORD, WHICH IS YOUR LAST BET, MERELY JUST CUT MY SKIN…!!

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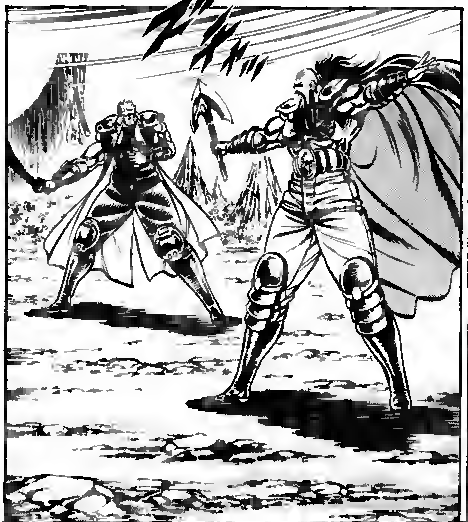
D...DAMN, WHAT IS THIS! I THOUGHT IT WAS COMPLETELY DECIDED AND YET .....!!
AKASHI-SENPAI DOESN'T HAVE ENOUGH POWER TO TAKE EVEN A STEP NOW DUE TO THE WEAKENING OF HIS BODY----!!

AT THAT MOMENT, SOUKOU COMPLETELY SAW AKASHI'S SWORD AND AT ONCE STEPPED BACK JUST A LITTLE BIT.
IT ISN'T JUST HE CAN'T TAKE A STEP.



THERE HASN'T EVER BEEN SUCH A DREADFUL ENEMY LIKE GENERAL SOUKOU ...!!

THE DEFENSE OF KYOUJI DAI-HATSUKAI DOESN'T HAVE A WEAKNESS AFTER ALL...!!

FUFU, YOUR STRENGTH AND WILLPOWER SHOULD BE AT ITS LIMIT.....!! I CAN DEFEAT YOU EVEN WITH MY BARE HANDS.
BUT I WILL SHOW RESPECT FOR YOUR FIGHTING SPIRIT AND FINISH IT BY STABBING YOU WITH THIS KONGOU SPEAR!!
GU!!

WAHAHAHAHA! YOU'LL OPEN YOUR WOUNDS IF YOU MOVE, BECOMING INCREASINGLY A DISADVANTAGE FOR YOU!!
NUA!!

HA!!
NUU!!
MUN!!

NUGU !!
NO MATTER HOW MANY COUNTER-ATTACKS YOU THROW, YOUR ZANGANKEN CAN'T GET THROUGH THIS KYOUJI DAIHATSUKA!-----!!
FUFU, HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN!!

GUWA!!
!!
GUKU
!!
AKASHI
---!!

YOU'RE TOO GOOD A MAN TO BE KILLED LIKE THIS.
YOU'RE CALLED AKASHI GOUJI?
WITH THAT, YOU UNABLE TO RUN !!
I'VE SEVERED THE SUI-CHOU MUSCLE IN YOUR KNEE !!
IF YOU MANLY ADMIT YOUR DEFEAT, I WILL SPARE YOUR LIFE.
I'LL GIVE A FINAL CHANCE TO YOU.

TN: "SUICHOU MUSCLE" OR "SUICHOUKIN" = "HANGING CALF MUSCLE", I ACTUALLY THOUGHT THIS EXISTED. BUT IT'S AN OTOKOJUKU TERM.

I'M NOT LEAVING HERE HALF-ASLEEP, BALD-HEADED OLDIE.
IN TRUTH, I ACKNOWL-EDGE YOUR STRENGTH.
BUT TH..THIS ZANGANKEN C..CERTAINLY WI..WILL MURDER YOU ....!!
FOOL ....!!
YOU SHOULD REGRET IN HELL TO HOLD YOUR DIGNITY WITH TRIFILING WILLPOWER.

IT'S . USE-LESS !! THOSE WORDS CAN'T BE HEARD ANYMORE .....!
YOU DO HAVE YOUR LIFE ----!!
DO AS SOUKOU SAID----!
ST...STOP THAT---!! AKASHI, YOU CAN'T FIGHT WITH THAT BODY ANYMORE---!!
THAT MAN IS THE MAN WHO CAN CAUSE A ONE-IN-TEN THOU-SAND MIRACLE AND MAKE THE IMPOSSIBLE POSSIBLE !!
I BELIEVE IN HIM .....!!
HUH ----!?

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, PUTTING YOUR BLOOD ON THAT SWORD.
RIGHT, YOU REALIZED THAT WITH THE COAGULATION EFFECT POSSESSED AS A CRITICAL PART IN BLOOD.
YOU CRYSTALLIZING THE MAGNETIC POWDER ON THE BLADE, DROPPING IT OFF!!
BUT THAT IS USELESS AT THIS POINT.
DO YOU THINK YOU CAN ATTACK ME WITH WIPING OFF THE MAGNETIC POWDER ONLY THAT MUCH?
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TSURUGI! I WILL TEACH YOU THE WEIGHT OF BEING THE HEAD OF OTO-KOJUKU SECOND-YEARS....!!
DON'T FORGET; WHAT OCCURS FROM HERE .....!!

HUH?

AKASHI-SENPAI -----!!
N...NO, STOP -----!!
IT... CAN'T BE!!
THE WEIGHT OF BEING THE HEAD OF OTOKO JUKU'S SECOND-YEARS ...!?
WH- WHAT ARE WITH THOSE WORDS NOW ...!?

DIE!!
ICHIMONJI-
RYUU: ZAN-
GANKEN!!

NUR
YAA!!
HUH!?
OOOH
!!
WH...
WHAT
----!!

GUWA
!!
GYA
GAA!!

I...I LEAVE THE REST TO YOU, TSURUGI MOMOTAROU .....!!
THIS IS THE WEIGHT AS THE HEAD OF OTOKO JUKU'S SECOND-YEARS...!!
THE MAGNETIC POWDER ATTACHED TO YOUR BLADE WAS WIPED OFF THE MOMENT IT WENT THROUGH YOUR BODY...!!
IM... IMPOS-SIBLE...
AKASHI-SENPAI ----!!

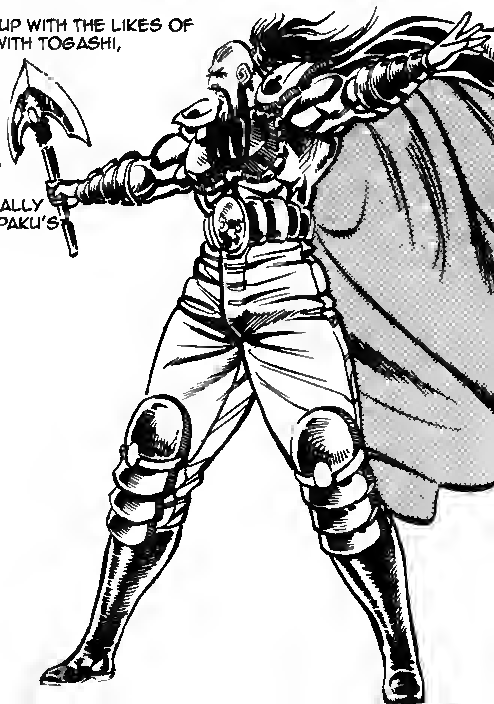
TN:

FOR THE MOST PART, THIS IS A REALLY POWERFUL CHAPTER, MOSTLY IN THE RELATIONSHIP THAT EXISTS BETWEEN MOMO AND AKASHI THAT HAS BEEN BUILDING SINCE VOL 2 WHILE PRETTY MUCH ALLIED WITH THE FIRST-YEARS SINCE THE MOMENT HE BEGAN AS AN OTOKOJUKU STUDENT, AKASHI IS THE FIRST UPPERCLASSMAN MOMO EVER REALLY BONDED WITH. SURE THEY WERE INITIALLY ENEMIES, BUT THE TWO OF THEM WERE ABLE TO TALK THINGS OVER AND GO THROUGH VARIOUS PROBLEMS TOGETHER.

AKASHI IS PROBABLY THE ONLY STUDENT MOMO NOT ONLY RESPECTS AS A SENPAI BUT AS A FRIEND AND IS ABLE TO SPEAK TO AS AN EQUAL WITH LITTLE PROBLEM. SO SEEING THIS SACRIFICE BEING DONE, POSSIBLY TAKING HIS LIFE BUT LIKEWISE TAKING OUT SOUKOU, IS ENOUGH TO NOT JUST PUSH OUT TOGASHI AND TORAMARU (WHO WORRY ABOUT EVERYONE ON THEIR SIDE STRANGELY ENOUGH) BUT MOMO AS WELL.

BUT OF COURSE...IN A WEIRD WAY, AKASHI HAS A LOT MORE PROBLEMS AND TROUBLES BEING A HEAD COMPARED TO MOMO. MOMO MAY HAVE SOME WEIRDOES AS MEMBERS OF THE FIRST-YEARS, BUT AKASHI HAS A BUNCH OF CREEPS IN HIS CLASS...NEED WE REMIND OURSELVES OF EDOGAWA AND ALL THE CRAP FROM VOLUME 1 THE FIRST-YEARS WENT THROUGH WITH THE SECOND-YEARS WHILE AKASHI WAS AWAY!?

COMPARED TO PUTTING UP WITH THE LIKES OF EDOGAWA, PUTTING UP WITH TOGASHI, TORAMARU AND ALL OF MOMO'S FIRST-YEARS IS AN EASY BURDEN.. BUT THAT'S HOW I SEE IT. BUT.. AT LEAST HOPEFULLY WITH SOUKOU FINALLY DOWN (EVEN WITH AKASHI'S SACRIFICE) WE CAN FINALLY MOVE ON TO RYOUZANPAKU'S LEADER.. PERHAPS.



梁山泊首領登場!!の巻

AKASHI-
SENPAI
.....!!

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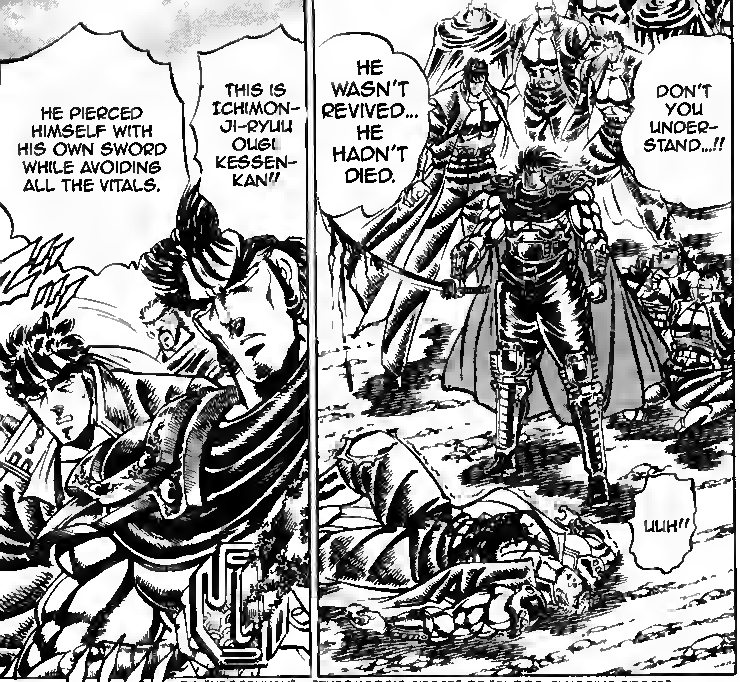
AND THEN RELENTLESSLY TRAIN US WITH THAT HAZING OF HELL AGAIN ----!!
OPEN YOUR EYES, AKASHI-SENPAI----!!
WOO, HOW CAN THIS HAPPENING ----!!
AT LEAST, WE CAN DRAW OUT THE KATANA...
STOP THAT, TORA-MARU, TOGASHI ..... !!
HOLD ON!!
UUH!!

HUH, JA JAKI .....!?
!!
LET GO OF IT, TSURUGI .....!!
YOU STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND. THE TRUE TERROR OF THE MAN AKASHI GOUJI!!
.....!!
WHAT EXACTLY DO YOU MEAN .....!?

MOVE!!
EVEN IF IT'S A BIT, IT WILL BE THE END IF YOU MISS.....!!
HA!!
.....
!?

GUKU
.....!!
HUH!!
WHAT!!
HE...REVIVED
AKAGHI-
SENPAI!


HE PIERCED HIMSELF WITH HIS OWN SWORD WHILE AVOIDING ALL THE VITALS.
THIS IS ICHIMON-JI-RYUU OUGI KESSEN-KAN!!
HE WASN'T REVIVED... HE HADN'T DIED.
DON'T YOU UNDER-STAND...!!
UUH!!

TN "KESSENKAN" = "THROMBOSIS PIERCE" OR "BLOOD-PLUGGING PIERCE"

THAT IS AKASHI SOUJI, HEAD OF OTOKO JUKU'S SECOND-YEARS.....!!
HE HAD TO BET EVERY-THING ON A ONE-IN-TEN THOUSAND CHANCE TO WIN
TO THIS MAN, HOWEVER POWERFUL ENEMY, A TIE IS A DEFEAT, NOT A VIC-TORY.
.....
!!

A MAN LIKE YOU WOULD .....!!
AKASHI-SENPAI .....!!
WHAT'S WITH THAT FACE .!!
AMAZING, HE DIDN'T TIE WITH GENERAL SOUKOU, HE WON---!!
HE...HE DID IT--!! AKASHI, NO, AKASHI-SENPAI IS ALIVE---!
ANY FURTHER BLEEDING WILL TRULY COME TO BE FATAL!!
IT'S BEST THAT HE IS HURRIED TO SURGERY

TOUDOU HYOUE'S MANSION
THIS CAN'T BE: OTOKOJUKU, THIS NAMELESS NEWCOMER OF THE TENCHOU GORIN DAIBUKAI, HAVE WON THEIR WAY TO HERE!!
THIS IS COMPLETELY WHAT IS CALLED A MAJOR UPSET.
第一闘場
二闘場
第九闘場
第十闘場
第十一闘場
第十五闘場
十七闘場

SO, YOU THINK THERE IS ONLY ONE LEADER!?
FUFU: LEADER OF RYOU ZANPAKU ……!!
IT SEEMS THE ONE THAT ADVANCING TO THE FINAL MATCH WILL BE OTOKO-JUKU.
EVEN GENERAL SOUKOU, THE VICE-HEAD OF THE RYOUZAN-PAKU ARMY HAS BEEN DEFEATED AND ALL THAT RE-MAINS IS THE LEADER

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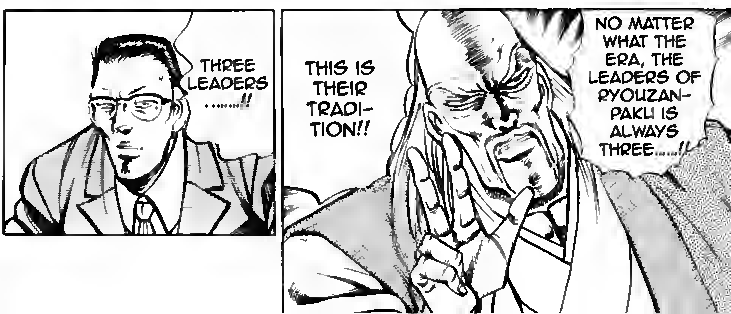
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING ……!?
HUH ……!?


THREE LEADERS ……!!
THIS IS THEIR TRADI-TION!!
NO MATTER WHAT THE ERA, THE LEADERS OF RYOUZAN-PAKU IS ALWAYS THREE……!!

IN ANCIENT CHINA, RYOUZANPAKU WAS ORIGINALLY FOUNDED BY THREE GREAT MEN: RYOUKOU, SANCHIN AND HAKUMEI; THESE THREE NAMED THE ORGANIZATION BY THE FIRST CHARACTERS OF THEIR NAME. EVEN AFTER THIS, RYOUZANPAKU FROM THEIR ORIGIN ALWAYS HAD LEADERS OF THEIR THREE STRONGEST WARRIORS AND WHO ACTED BY CONSULTATION.
THAT'S WHY, THIS TIME, THE LEADERS NOT COMING YET BECAUSE THEY THOUGHT THEY CAN GO TO THE FINAL EASLY. BUT THEY SHOULD HAVE REALIZED THIS DISASTER AND WILL BE THERE VERY SOON!.....!!

TN: OBVIOUSLY THE THREE "LEADERS" HAVE FIRST KANJI THAT MATCH THE NAME OF "RYOUZANPAKU", BUT REMEMBER IT CAN READ DIFERENTLY, THUS THE "SAN" OF "SANCHIN" BECOME "ZAN" AND THE "HAKU" OF "HAKUMEI" IS "PAKU".

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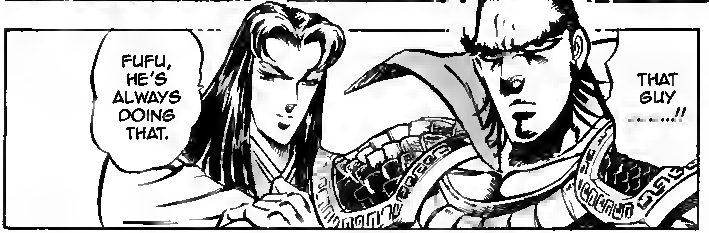
FUFU, OTOKO-JUKU.
AND I'VE HEARD THAT THE THREE BOSSES OF THIS TOURNAMENT ARE ACTUAL BROTHERS..!!
THREE BROTHERS .....!?
YOU WILL COME TO KNOW THE TRUE TERROR OF RYOUZANPAKU
YOUR CRITICAL MOMENT WILL BE FROM NOW ON!!

NOW, WE'LL COURTE-OUSLY BURY HIM.
MY...MY MIS-CHIEF HAS MADE EVEN OUR GENERAL SOUKOU BE...BE IN THIS CONDI-TION.....!!
WH... WHAT CAN I SAY...

WHAT !!
OOH, IT...IT'S YOU---!!

AND SANEN-SAMA ---!!
IT'S RYOUKOU-SAMA, ONE OF THE THREE LEADERS OF RYOUZANPAKU!!
THERE IS NO NEED TO COURTE-OUSLY BURYING HIM
THIS MAN GENERAL SOUKOU, VICE-HEAD OF RYOUZAN-PAKU, HAS EXPOSED SUCH EMBAR-RASSMENT !!
HA HA --- !!
HI!!

NO, HE , HE HASN'T ARRIVE YET..!!
HAKU HOU-SAMA .....!?
HE SHOULD HAVE DE-PARTED AHEAD OF US.
WHERE'S MY YOUNGEST BROTHER HAKUHOU!?


FUFU, HE'S ALWAYS DOING THAT.
THAT GUY .....!!

UH!!
WHAT'S WRONG, HEY, GET OUT HERE QUICKLY---!!

WITH THAT, THE REMAINING OF THOSE RYOUZAN-PAKU FORCE GUYS ARE THEIR GEN-ERAL---!!
UWAHAHAHA: THIS MATCH IS ALREADY DECIDED---!!

I'VE GOT-LOST WITH THE ROADS LIKE A MAZE ON THIS ENTIRE ISLAND.
DO YOU KNOW!? DIRTY-FACED OLDIE WITH THE SMALL MUSTACHE?
WHERE IS THE BATTLE-GROUND FOR THE TENCHOU GORIN DAI-BUKAI SEMI-FINAL MATCH?
!!
CAN I ASK YOU SOME-THING?
AAH, IT'S THERE, IT'S THERE----!!
MY BIG BROS ARE OVER THERE!!
!?
HEY, YOU SUDDENLY APPEARED, WHO ARE YOU-----!!
WHAT'S WITH TH... THIS BRAT ~~~!!

HUH!!
MY NAME IS HAKUHOU, ONE OF RYOUZAN PAKU'S THREE LEADERS!!
IT SEEMS ALL OF YOU ARE MY ENEMIES.
THIS BRAT, ARE YOU MESSING WITH US?!
THERE'S NO WAY A SHRIMP LIKE YOU IS A RYOUZANPAKU LEADER----!!
UH!!

JUST FOR YOU TO KNOW, I'M UNBELIEVABLY STRONG----!!
HE-Y, GET DOWN HERE QUICKLY---!! I'LL BE YOUR OPPONENT---!
WH...WHAT----!! HE'S ALREADY ON THE BATTLEFIELD BEFORE WE KNEW IT---!!
PEACE, PEACE
THAT BRAT ----!!
WELL, WILL YOU SOUND THE GONG!!
J !!
STOP, TO-GASHI! HE'S NOT AN OPPONENT THAT YOU CAN USE YOUR PUNCH ON.

TN:

I REALLY, REALLY FEEL STUPID ABOUT HOW CHAPTER...AND IN A WAY, THIS VOLUME...WAS SET UP FOR ME TO SPOIL THE BIG REVELATION OF RYOUZANPAKU'S LEADERSHIP WAY BEFORE YOU'RE TO KNOW OF IT.

JAPANESE IS A LANGUAGE THAT DOES HAVE PLURALS, BUT FOR SOMETHING LIKE THAT WITH LIMITED CONTEXT ASIDE THE CHAPTER ITSELF, JUST CALLING IT "LEADER" WOULD HAVE FELT INCORRECT. BUT CALLING IT "LEADERS" MEANT THAT I SPOILED THIS CHAPTER FROM GO. UNFORTUNATELY, I WENT WITH THE LATTER BECAUSE IT JUST FEELS HARD TO LOSE CONTEXT CONSIDERING WHAT HAPPENS. AS FOR THE CHAPTER...LET ME JUST SAY THIS ALREADY HAKUHOU ROCKS.

YEAH, HE'S A CRAZY KID AND IS PROBABLY ABOUT TO GET HIS FACE SMASHED IN BY J, BUT TO HAVE SOMEONE LIKE HIM WITH ALL THE SERIOUS FIGHTERS (AND SERIOUSLY INSANE WEIRDOES...AND JUST SERIOUS WEIRDOES) THROUGHOUT THIS ENTIRE TOURNAMENT IS A BREATH OF FRESH AIR. HE REMINDS ME A BIT OF A YOUNGER SON GOKU FROM DB THE WAY HE'S TOUTING HIMSELF AND JUST SCREWING AROUND WITH OTOKOJUKU BEFORE THE MATCH WHILE DEMONSTRATING POWER...

THIS SHOULD BE A FUN MATCH. (CAN'T SAY THE SAME FOR HIS BIG BROTHERS...BUT WE'LL SEE WHEN WE GET TO THEM) AND SOMEHOW IT WAS RATHER CONFUSING WHY JAKI HAD TO BE THE ONE TO SAVE AKASHI...BUT I GUESS THAT CONSIDERING HE PROBABLY KNEW OF AKASHI'S MOVE WHILE MOMO (AND LIKEWISE WE) DIDN'T, IT WAS AN APPROPRIATE APPEARANCE FOR THE RECENTLY "SELDOMLY-SEEN" THIRD-YEAR LEADER. BUT HEY, NEXT TIME WILL BE INTERESTING...WE'RE GOING TO SEE IF HAKUHOU IS J'S MATCH!

AAH —!?
OOH---!! COME DOWN HERE, YOU DAREDEVIL ----!
KAKKAKA, SAY YOUR FAREWELL TO YOUR ALLIES ----!!
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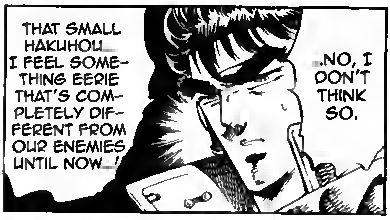
FU: BUT WE DO POSSESS A TERRIFYING LITTLE BROTHER...THERE'S NO ONE WHO HAS FOUGHT HAKUHOU AND LIVED.
HE'S THE SAME AS EVER.

DON'T BE CONCERNED BY THAT, J!! BEAT UP THAT AUDACIOUS BRAT WITH YOUR MACH PUNCH----!
AND...MAKING MATTERS WORST, HE'S SITTING ON THE BATTLEGROUND AND EATING BENTOU----!!
WHAT'S WITH THAT BRAT, COMING OUT FOOLISHLY!!


THAT SMALL HAKUHOU... I FEEL SOMETHING EERIE THAT'S COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM OUR ENEMIES UNTIL NOW...!
...NO, I DON'T THINK SO.

HUH!?

WAHAHAHA: HE'S SO MISCAST!!
BUT, IT'S TRULY FUNNY THAT THIS SHRIMP IS ONE OF THE THREE HEADS OF RYOUZANPAKU----!!

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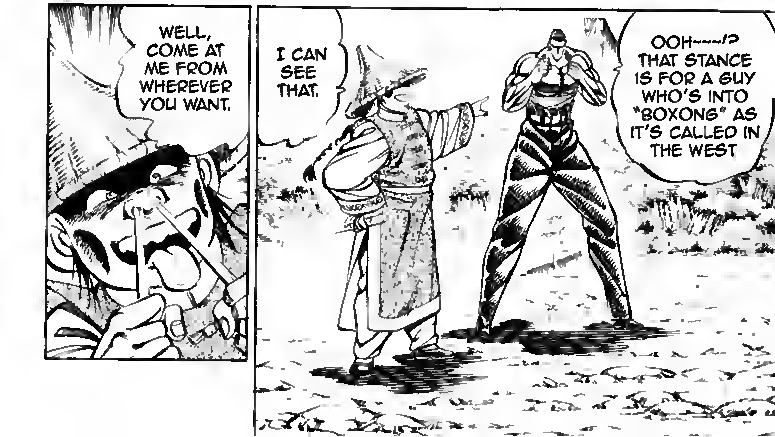
AH-BOY, AM I STUFFED.
WELL-THEN, SHALL WE DO SOME LIGHT DIGESTING EXERCISES AFTER THIS MEAL?


OOH~~~~!? THAT STANCE IS FOR A GUY WHO'S INTO "BOXONG" AS IT'S CALLED IN THE WEST
I CAN SEE THAT.
WELL, COME AT ME FROM WHEREVER YOU WANT.

I'M NOT GOING EASY BECAUSE MY OPPONENT'S A BRAT
IT'S FOR YOUR OWN GOOO TO NOT MOCK ME.

HUH !?
!!
KAKKAKAK, THAT'S QUITE A TERRIFYING PUNCH.
GOOD, GOOD.
WHAT ---!!
THAT BRAT CAUGHT J'S PUNCH WITH A SPEED THAT CAN'T BE SEEN BY THE EYE WITH THE CHOPSTICKS HE ATE HIS BENTOU WITH----!!

KU!!
OTTO
HE-Y, WHERE ARE YOU LOOKING---!!
I'M RIGHT HERE---!!
!!
NU!?

RIGHT, I'VE THOUGHT OF A GOOD IDEA.
N-REALLY, THAT WASN'T INTERSTING, BIG BROTHER.
I CAN'T HAVE A GOOD MATCH BECAUSE OF MY NIMBLE MOVEMENTS WITH A WIDE BATTLEFIELD LIKE THIS
HOW'S THIS?
HE'S SUDDENLY DRAWING A LINE ON THE BATTLE-GROUND
WHAT'S WITH THAT BRAT?

A BOXONG RING IS ABOUT THIS WIDE.
I WON'T BE LEAVING OUTSIDE EVEN A STEP FROM IN HERE!!
I'LL ACKNOWLEDGE DEFEAT AND TAKE OUT MY STOMACH THE MOMENT TAKE EVEN A STEP OUT.
FINE: I'LL STRIKE THAT BIG MOUTH,
HAVE YOU WRING YOUR OWN NECK AND MAKE YOU REPENT IN HELL.
FUFFUFFU. REALLY ……!?
THAT GUY, HOW FAR DID HE WANT TO MOCK ……!!
GO AT HIM, J!! KILL THAT CONCEITED BRAT……!!

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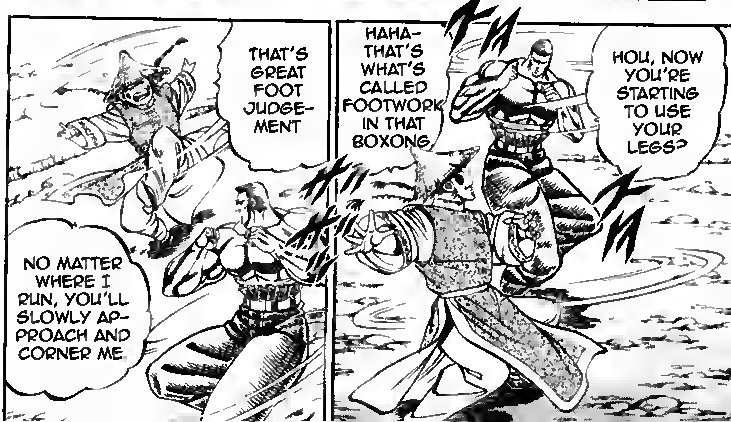
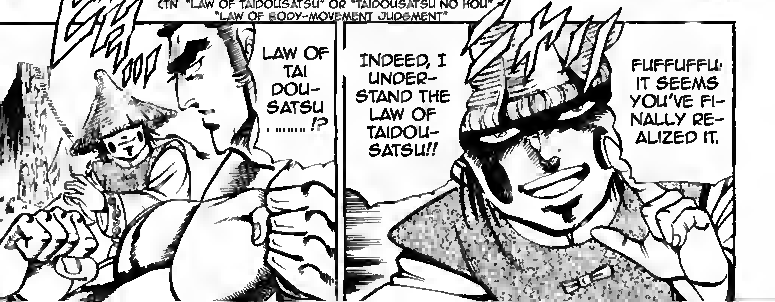

NO MATTER WHERE I RUN, YOU'LL SLOWLY APPROACH AND CORNER ME.
THAT'S GREAT FOOT JUDGEMENT
HAHA- THAT'S WHAT'S CALLED FOOTWORK IN THAT BOXONG.
HOU, NOW YOU'RE STARTING TO USE YOUR LEGS?

AHH, NO, I CAN'T MOVE BACK ANY-MORE---!!
JUST KIDDING!
I WASN'T IN A PINCH AT ALL.

HUH!!
HOI!!

HE WASN'T GRAZED AT ALL BY J'S PUNCH----!!
HOO---!! WHAT'S WITH THAT BRAT'S LIGHT BODY---!
KAKKAKA: NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES WE DO IT, IT'S FUTILE---!! I CAN'T BE DEFEATED WITH THAT LEVEL----!

HE ISN'T JUST MERELY NIMBLE, IT'S AS IF HE SEEMS LIKE HE'S KNOW BEFOREHAND THE PUNCH I SEND OUT.
IMPOSSIBLE, EVEN WITH MY FOOTWORK, HE STILL CAN AVOID MY FIST EASILY...!!


TN: "LAW OF TAIDOUSATSU" OR "TAIDOUSATSU NO HOU" "LAW OF BODY-MOVEMENT JUDGEMENT"
LAW OF TAI DOU-SATSU.....!?
INDEED, I UNDERSTAND THE LAW OF TAIDOU-SATSU!!
FUFUFUFU: IT SEEMS YOU'VE FINALLY REALIZED IT.

HOWEVER YOU TRY TO AVOID INFERRING IT, THESE CHANGES EMERGE WITHOUT CONNECTION TO YOUR OWN WILL.
I CAN BE REASONED IN HAVING PERFECT FORESIGHT IN YOUR MOVEMENT FROM THIS.
WHAT'S CALLED THE HUMAN BODY CERTAINLY APPEARS TO HAVE SUBTLE CHANGES IN MUSCLES, FACIAL EXPRESSION AND BREATHING AT THE VERGE THE BODY IS GIVEN ORDERS.
IF YOU DON'T KNOW, I'LL TELL YOU.

A YOUNG PERSON LIKE HIM HAS MASTERED THE LAW OF TAIDOU-SATSU...!!
NUU, HE'S A DREADFUL MAN.....!!
!!
INCIDENTALLY, CIRCLES AROUND THE EYES ARE PARTICULARLY THE CONCENTRATION OF TAIDOU POINTS AND IS WHAT EXPLAINS "THE EYES HAVE ONE LANGUAGE EVERYWHERE", A PROVERB FROM ANCIENT TIMES. -FROM "CHINESE KENPOU THAT INQUIRES FROM MEDICAL PERSPECTIVES", MINMEI PUBLISHING.
TAIDOUSATSU...IN THE BODY ARE TAIDOU POINTS WHICH POSSESS THE RELAY FUNCTION OF MOTION NERVES THAT COMMUNICATE THE WILL FROM THE BRAIN WHENEVER MOTION OCCURS. THE APPLICATION AND PERFECTION IN KENPOU OF SEEING THROUGH THE CHANGES IN TAIDOU POINTS IS TAIDOU-SATSU.

KAKKAKA, DO YOU UNDER-STAND, IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU TO WIN AGAINST ME
NOW I'LL ATTACK.
BIG BROTHER'S PUNCH HAS AMAZING POWER, BUT I CAN'T LOSE TO THAT.
ALLEY-OOP.
RYOUZAN-PAKU OUGI: SHOUTEIHA!!
THERE WE GO!!

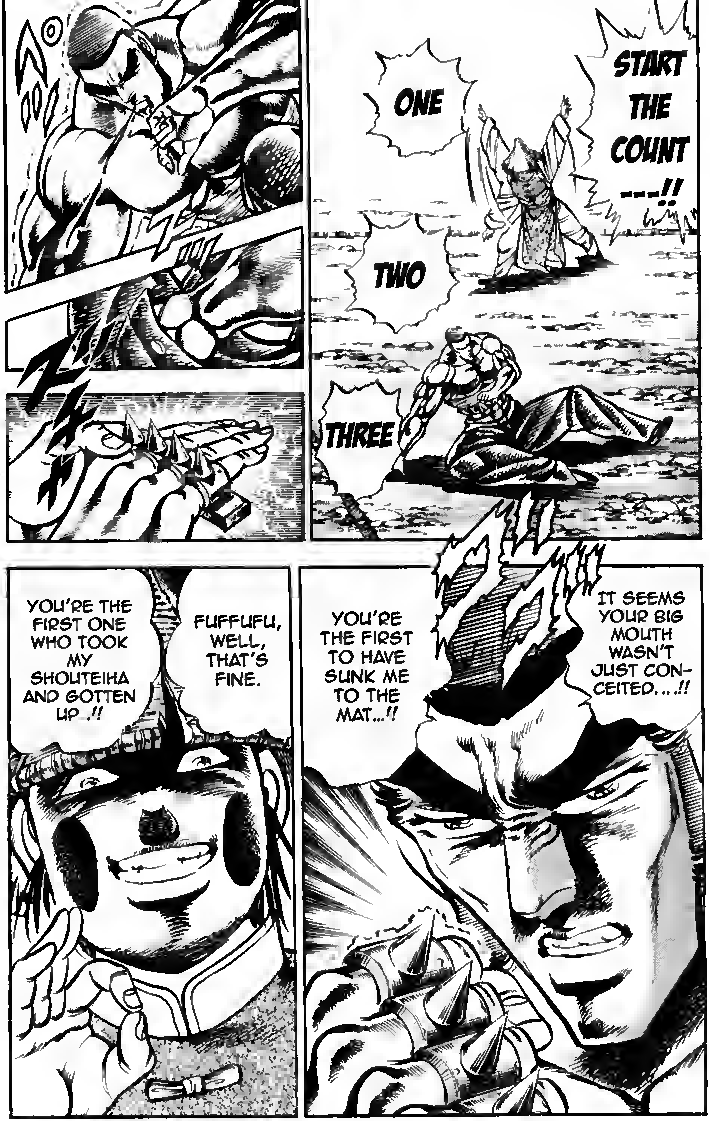
TN: "SHOUTEIHA" = "BREAKING RAM-PALM"

IT'S ROUGH-LY LIKE THAT.

LET'S GO ---!!
WHAT---!! THAT BRAT BROKE A ROCK INTO SMALL PIECES WITH THE PALM OF HIS HAND-----!
*SEE TNOTES
IS HE A MASTER OF THE QIGONG METHOD AS WELL...!!*
THIS ISN'T A MERE PALM THRUST .....!!

!!
FUFFUFFU YOU PRETENDED TO AVOID ME TO THE SIDE AND ACTUALLY TURNED TO MY REAR.
AND THEN FEINT WITH THE RIGHT PUNCH, ACTUALLY INTENDING TO AIM FOR MY FACE WITH THE LEFT PUNCH.

I ALREADY SAID THAT I UNDER-STAND ALL OF YOUR MOVE-MENTS----!!
GAHA!!
J---!!
GUKU!!
KNOCK-DOWN----!!


START THE COUNT ---!!
ONE
TWO
THREE
IT SEEMS YOUR BIG MOUTH WASN'T JUST CONCEITED...!!
YOU'RE THE FIRST TO HAVE SUNK ME TO THE MAT...!!
FUFFUFU, WELL, THAT'S FINE.
YOU'RE THE FIRST ONE WHO TOOK MY SHOUTEIKA AND GOTTEN UP !!

TN:

It's been a while since we've seen J getting as torn apart as he is right now.. But then again most of what he's had has been way easier compared to a lot of other otokojuku fighters. Most of the time J just seems to go right in, destroy his opponent (or have a bit of trouble like when Momo fought him in his own element of boxing) and then goes right back up. (or as in the Kyousatsu just burns out while winning his match and seeming to get killed)

But Hakuhou is somewhat different from most of what J fought up until now. Yes he has fought and defeated kenpoists, but someone as small as Hakuhou with that much power is obviously a much smaller and harder target for even the boxer to take apart. Meanwhile...I think Hakuhou is just made for this series.

It's been a while since we've had some weirdo with personality actually fighting (last I can imagine was back when Toramaru was first introduced . before he and Togashi were mostly reduced to sideline commentary) considering how many stoic or serious fighters we've seen.. with weird styles but the that's only silley or weird things about them their martial arts.

On the other hand, Hakuhou has a more conventional (but slightly weird with his movement reading abilities) martial arts, but is more about personality in a way I actually wouldn't mind him returning . if he survives J that is!

TN from page 184:
I had a bit of difficulty translating this line due to two factors

1. First, Momo makes mention of an attack known as "shouteidzuki", "tsuki" ("ozuki" due to the modification due to it's connection to the former) is "thrust", while "shoutei" is "the sole of the palm" in reference to the palm of the hand considering the attack was merely a palm thrust thrown by Hakuhou, I merely went with the simplified version.. though literally it's "palm-sole thrust"

2. The question of style Momo makes towards Hakuhou is whether he's a master of "kikouhou" while Momo may question it due to his own "qi" mastery as revealed back in his fight with Jaki, "kikou" is literally translated as "qigong", a notable chinese art, yet can also have translations of "breath control" or "chi kung". considering Momo/Jaki's "kihou" was the "ki" techniques the duo used in their fight, this differentiates the technique from what Hakuhou has pulled this time

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